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TO HIS EXCELLENCY JOHN CAMPBELL, EARL OF ABERDEEN, K.T., G.C.M.G.
LORD LIEUTENANT-GENERAL AND GENERAL GOVERNOR OF IRELAND.

MAY IT PLEASE YOUR EXCELLENCY,

WE, the Commissioners of Education in Ireland, beg to submit the following General Report of our proceedings during the year 1909:—

We deeply regret to have to report the death, on July 23, 1909, of Very Rev. Dean Smollen, P.P., V.G., who was elected to represent the Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education on December 20, 1905. We have also to report the resignation on October 14, 1909, of Sir Charles B. Ball, M.D., F.R.C.S.I., who was appointed a Commissioner by warrant of the Lords Justices, dated May 3, 1905. Constitution of Commission.

On November 12, 1909, the Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education elected Most Rev. Doctor McKenna, Bishop of Clogher, to be their Representative in succession to the late Dean Smollen, and by warrant dated November 22, 1909, your Excellency was pleased to appoint Louis Claude Purser, Esquire, D.Litt., F.T.C.D., to be a Commissioner in succession to Sir Charles B. Ball, resigned. In other respects the constitution of the Commission remains the same as it was at the close of 1908, as set forth in our last Report, dated April 21, 1909. The names of the Commissioners are given *infra*, Appendix A, No. I., p. 8.

We held Quarterly Meetings on January 21, April 21, July 14, and October 14. At the meeting of January 21 we elected Right Rev. Monsignor Byrne, P.P., V.G., to be our Chairman, and Anthony Traill, Esquire, LL.D., M.D., Provost T.C.D., to be our Vice-Chairman for the year. A Table of the attendances of the Commissioners is given *infra*, Appendix A, No. IV., p. 9. Meetings and Attendances.

Rev. J. W. R. Campbell, M.A., on his removal to Belfast, resigned his seat on the Standing Committee in January, 1909, and was succeeded by Sir Charles B. Ball, who, as the result of his own resignation in October, 1909, created a vacancy on the Standing Committee which was not filled until the Board Meeting of January, 1910. The Standing Committee held sixteen meetings during the year. Seventeen meetings were summoned, but one fell through, that of September 30, as only one Commissioner attended. In Appendix A, No. V., p. 9, is given a Table of the attendances of the Standing Committee. The names of the Commissioners constituting the Standing Committee are given *infra*, Appendix A, No. II., p. 8. Standing Committee.

Office Staff

No change has taken place in our Staff during the year. Their names are given in Appendix A, No. III., p. 8.

Accounts.

Accounts.—In Appendix B, pp. 10-20 we give Summaries of our Audited Accounts, together with the Certificate of the Local Government Board Auditor.

Receipts.

The following is a Summary of the Income Side of our Account:—

Account.	Income—1908.				Net Credit Balance, January 1, 1908.	Gross Total.
	Rents.	Dividends.	Miscellaneous.	Total Income.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Ulster Royal School Endowments.	3,122 10 2	3,297 14 2	180 2 9	6,600 7 1	1,801 27 5½	6,382 4 6½
Ulster Royal School "Building Funds," etc.	—	215 13 8	9 18 10	225 12 6	42 19 0	188 11 8
Other Endowments.	297 9 7	1,718 18 3	80 10 0	1,996 18 4	764 19 4½	2,761 18 0½
Total.	3,420 19 9	4,132 0 7	210 11 7	6,802 27 11	2,329 16 2	9,132 14 1

Expenditure.

Subjoined we give, in Summary, a Table of Expenditure:—

Account.	Expenditure—1908.				Net Credit Balance, December 31, 1908.	Gross Total.
	Rents, Rates, and other outgoings.	Payment of Retired Teachers' Annuities.	Expenditure for Educational Purposes.	Total Expenditure.		
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Ulster Royal School Endowments.	653 1 30½	770 0 7	3,506 0 0	4,829 2 5½	1,343 2 1	6,182 4 6½
Ulster Royal School "Building Funds," etc.	—	—	125 19 2	125 19 2	62 19 4	188 11 8
Other Endowments.	368 15 4	290 0 0	1,469 13 4	2,328 8 8	423 9 4½	2,761 18 0½
Total.	1,021 17 2½	870 0 7	3,581 13 4	5,383 10 3½	1,829 3 9½	9,132 14 1

Comparison.

Income.—Our gross income from all sources shows a decrease of £219 as compared with the year 1906, in which period the collection of the double items, arrears of rent and "Interest in lieu of Rent," in respect of the estates recently sold, raised our receipts above the normal. Rents show a reduction of £906, but Dividends show an increase of £660, and Miscellaneous Receipts an increase of £21.

Expenditure.

Expenditure.—Our ordinary expenditure on estate outgoings, costs of management, etc., was about £100 less than that for the previous year, owing, principally, to charges in respect of Armagh having ceased as a result of the sale of the estate. On the other hand, we applied to educational purposes a sum of £5,281 12s. 6d., being an increase of £817 14s. 2d. on that for 1906, and our expenditure was further swollen by the investment of small cash balances amounting to £417 7s. 6d.

Balances.—Our Expenditure for the year exceeded our Income by £500, and the sum total of our net credit balances on December 31, 1908, was accordingly less by that amount than the sum total shown on the corresponding date of the previous year.

Our Capital Account has been increased by the purchase of £300 Great Western Railway 5 per Cent. Preference Stock at a cost of \$417 7s. 6d., the purchase-money being accumulations of income belonging to six small Endowments. Capital.

ULSTER ROYAL SCHOOL ENDOWMENTS.

The Schools sharing in these Endowments continue, on the whole, to be efficiently conducted. The returns dealing with the School Rolls, the Educational Results, and the condition of the School Buildings are, speaking generally, of a satisfactory character. For full particulars on these points we would refer to the Reports of our Secretary who, as Lord Lieutenant's Inspector, visited the various Schools last autumn. These Reports will be found in Appendix C, pp. 21-26. General.

The total number on the Rolls of the Schools selected by the Local Boards for the year 1908-09 shows a decrease as compared with that of the previous year, 790 taking the place of 799. It should be noted, however, in this connection that last year's returns constituted a record. Moreover, there has been no general falling off; five of the Schools have more than held their own, while in only three cases can the reductions be regarded as substantial—viz., Enniskillen Royal School, 12; St. Patrick's, Armagh, 6; and St. Patrick's, Dungannon, 6. Numbers.

The number of pupils presented for the Intermediate Examinations in 1909 was 406, or 75 per cent. of the gross Intermediate Rolls. In 1908 the percentage was 78, and in 1907 it was 81, so that this is the third year in succession in which a reduced percentage has had to be recorded.

Tested by the Intermediate Examinations the efficiency of the Schools, taken as a whole, continues creditable, the percentage of passes being 62·8. This result shows a marked falling off as compared with last year, when the percentage was 71·4, but it is to be noted that the general results for the country as a whole also show a reduction this year, the general percentage of Passes being 55·1 as compared with 61·1 in 1908. Efficiency.

The state of the School Buildings generally is fairly satisfactory. The Local Boards have been active in executing repairs rendered necessary by lapse of time in Armagh and Dungannon Royal Schools. In the case of St. Macarlen's Seminary, the new wing, alluded to in previous reports, is now completed, and the addition reflects much credit on those responsible for its erection. School Premises.

Of the twelve Schools selected by the Local Boards of Education, we are satisfied that eleven have fulfilled the conditions prescribed by the Scheme to qualify them to share in the Endowments of their respective districts. We accepted as evidence of this qualification the Certificate of the Lord Lieutenant's Inspector, who visited each of the Schools in September, 1909. See Appendix C, pp. 21-23. Particulars as to the disqualification of the twelfth School are also set forth in the same Appendix, p. 23. "Qualified Schools."

We print in Appendix D, pp. 28-42, the Annual Reports of the Local Boards of Education. The amount distributed among those Boards for the benefit of their respective School Districts was £3,506, allocated as follows:—Armagh, £749; Cavan, £262; Donegal, £234; Fermanagh, £977; and Tyrone, £1,294. Local Boards.

We also paid to the Cavan Roman Catholic Board and to the Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board, the income of their respective Building Funds; and to the Fermanagh Protestant Board the rent received for Portora Point.

OTHER ENDOWMENTS.

Preston Endowment.—The gross income of this Endowment for the year, including dividends on the separate Capital Accounts of the Navan and Abbey-leix Schools, and small Miscellaneous Receipts, was £1,166 8s. 6d., which

being compared with that of the previous year, shows the marked increase of £410. The chief cause of this variation is to be found in the fact that a very substantial portion of the "Interest in Lieu of Rent" payable in 1908 was not collected until 1909. The amounts allocated to the several Schools having claims on the Endowment, after payment of the necessary outgoings, were as follows:—King's Hospital, Oxmantown, £127 16s. 4d.; Preston School, Navan, £535 11s. 10d.; and Preston School, Abbeylax, £419 11s. 7d.

Preston School, Navan.—On page 27 we print the Report of the Lord Lieutenant's Inspector. It appears that the School Roll has fallen to 20, and the average attendance to 17, which are below the average of previous years.

Preston School, Abbeylax.—We print *infra*, page 27, the Report of the Lord Lieutenant's Inspector on this School. The School Roll, we are glad to observe, shows a substantial increase, twenty-seven taking the place of twenty. An outbreak of Measles immediately before the Examinations interfered with the Intermediate Results, and the percentage of Passes has fallen from sixty-six to fifty-five.

Carysfort Endowment.—The number of Schools receiving grants from this Endowment still continues to be five, two being under Protestant and three under Roman Catholic management. The total sum available for educational purposes was £130, which we divided equally between the two religious denominations. Judged by the Report of the National Board Inspectors, the educational efficiency of the Schools is not quite up to the standard of last year. On the present occasion they are classified as follows:—One "Good," three "Fair," and one "Middling," whereas in the previous year three were pronounced "Good," one "Fair," and one "Middling." In the case of one of the Schools the unsuitable nature of the premises, previously referred to, still continues.

The Leamy Endowment, Limerick.—During the year we distributed between the Leamy Local Boards of Education the sum of £236 14s. 6d. The two Schools sharing in the Endowment continue to be conducted in a satisfactory manner, as shown by the Report of the Lord Lieutenant's Inspector, which is given *infra*, p. 27.

The Viscount Limerick Endowment, Dundalk.—Three Schools established their claim to share in this Endowment, namely:—St. Mary's College, Dundalk, for thirty-four pupils; the Educational Institution, Dundalk, for twenty-six pupils; and Christian Schools, Dundalk, for two pupils. We divided the sum of £52 14s. 0d. between them, in proportion to these numbers.

Bank's Endowment, Eyrecourt.—The Trustees of this Endowment having again failed to submit a plan for its application, we consulted the Manager of Eyrecourt National School, in accordance with Sec. 6 of Scheme No. 128, and decided to continue the application of the funds to the same purpose to which they had been applied in the six preceding years, viz., the teaching of such technical subjects as Shirt-making, Knitting, &c., in that School. The sum available was £16 19s. 0d. The Inspector for the Commissioners of National Education, who visited the School in June last, states:—"Each branch of the Needlework programme has been taught, and, on the whole, very good progress has been made in the Senior Standards. In the Junior Standards the progress made is very fair."

The Diocesan Schools and Banagher Royal School Endowments.—We paid the following sums as prizes to preparatory grade pupils in the various localities, on condition that the money should be applied towards the payment of the winners' school fees for the ensuing year:—£12 to pupils of Schools in the Dioceses of Leighlin and Ossory, £20 to pupils of Schools in the Dioceses of Meath and Ardagh, £28 to pupils of Schools in the Dioceses of Tuam, Killalla, and Achonry, and £40 to pupils of Schools in King's County (Banagher Royal School District). This is the first time since the Scheme came into operation that we have been able to award all the prizes offered in the last-named district.

Previously we had not a sufficient number of qualified applicants for the prizes, but on the present occasion, although there was a paucity of female candidates, we had a large number of male candidates of more than ordinary merit.

Lattane School (Anne Hall Endowment).—The Lord Lieutenant's Inspector reports:—"The quality of the School teaching and the order in the School have been much improved since the appointment of the Assistant Teacher." With regard to the repairs of the old Girls' School, already sanctioned, the Inspector says:—"The work of improvement of School premises has been delayed owing to circumstances over which the Manager of the School has had no control. I have been assured that these works will be undertaken immediately."

Limerick Diocesan School Endowment.—There was no expenditure in respect of this Endowment during the year, but accumulations of income, amounting to £250, were invested in the purchase of £179 13s. 11d. Great Western Railway 5 per Cent. Preference Stock. The Endowment, in addition to the School Premises, now consists of £63 1s. 6d. Government Stock, £179 13s. 11d. Railway Stock, and £30 14s. 11d. cash.

ESTATE MANAGEMENT.

In Appendix B, IV. and V., p. 20, we give Summaries of our Rentals for the year 1907-8, together with our Agents' Accounts for the corresponding periods. It will be noted that the number of these Rentals is reduced by two, owing to the sale of the Armagh and Banagher Estates. The gross Rental of the various estates still in the hands of the Commissioners shows an increase of £15 17s. 6d., the figures being £1,845 13s. 8d. now, as against £1,829 16s. 2d. last year. Carysfort remains unchanged; Tyrone Bog Rental is increased by £15 16s. 0d.; and Tyrone Rental proper by £0 1s. 6d.

Rentals and
Accounts

Arrears.—It is satisfactory to report that the general condition of the arrears compares favourably with that of last year, the sum total having been reduced from £1,882 4s. 11d. to £1,773 6s. 6d. The Tyrone Estate is to be credited with this improvement.

All which we have the honour to submit to Your Excellency as our Report in the premises.

Sealed with our Common Seal at a Meeting held this 21st day of April, 1910, and forwarded for submission to Your Excellency on the same date.

Present when the Seal was affixed—

J. M. HAMILTON, D.D., *Chairman.*

P. J. BYRNE, *Vice-Chairman.*

STANISLAUS MURPHY, *Secretary.*

ANTHONY TRAILL,
* ROBERT BROWNE,
THOMAS F. MOLONY,
M. CANON COYNE,
J. C. MACGINLEY,
J. DENHAM OSBORNE,
D. A. TAYLOR,
W. R. COONEY,

Commissioners

APPENDIX A.

No. I.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION IN IRELAND, 1909.

I. APPOINTED BY THE LORD LIEUTENANT:

- *1. Sir Charles B. Ball, M.A., F.R.C.S.I.
2. Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Bishop of Cloyne.
3. Rev. J. W. B. Campbell, M.A.
4. Most Rev. Dr. Donnelly, Bishop of Cavan.
5. Rev. J. M. Hamilton, M.A., D.D.
6. Thomas F. Molony, Esq., M.A., LL.B., K.C.
7. William J. O'Reilly, Esq., B.L., R.M.
8. Rev. J. Denham Osborne, M.A.
9. W. J. M. Starke, Esq., M.A., LL.D., Resident Commissioner of National Education.
10. R. Y. Tyrrell, Esq., LL.D., S.P.T.C.D.

II. ELECTED BY THE LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION:

11. Sir James H. Strang, Bart., M.A., Armagh Protestant Board.
12. Very Rev. M. Canon Coyne, P.P., Armagh Roman Catholic Board.
13. Anthony Traill, Esq., LL.B., M.A., Provost, T.C.D., Cavan Protestant Board,
Vice-Chairman.
14. His Grace The Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, Cavan Roman Catholic Board.
15. His Honor Judge Craig, M.A., K.C., Donagall Protestant Board.
16. Very Rev. James MacGinley, D.D., Donagall Roman Catholic Board.
17. W. R. Cooney, Esq., J.P., Fermanagh Protestant Board.
18. Right Rev. Monsignor Smollen, P.P., V.G., Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board.
19. Rev. D. A. Taylor, M.A., D.D., Tyrone Protestant Board.
20. Right Rev. Monsignor Byrne, P.P., V.G., Tyrone Roman Catholic Board, *Chairman.*

No. II.

THE STANDING COMMITTEE.

1. The Chairman,
2. The Vice-Chairman, } *ex-officio.*
3. Sir Charles B. Ball.
4. Judge Craig.
5. Most Rev. Dr. Donnelly.

6. Rev. Dr. Hamilton.
7. Very Rev. Dean MacGinley.
8. Mr. O'Reilly.
9. Rev. J. Denham Osborne.
10. Dr. Starke.

No. III.

STAFF.

Secretary:

Stanislans Murphy, LL.B., Barrister-at-Law.

Clerk:

Arthur C. Ellis, B.A.

Solicitor:

James Robinson, Esquire, 119, Stephen's-green, Dublin.

* Resigned October 14, 1909. Succeeded by Dr. Farmer, F.T.C.D., on November 23, 1909.

† Died July 23, 1909. Succeeded by Most Rev. Dr. McKenna, Bishop of Clogher, on November 12, 1909.

No. IV.

ATTENDANCE ROLL OF THE COMMISSIONERS, 1909.

NAMES OF COMMISSIONERS.	DATES OF MEETINGS.				Total.
	January 21.	April 21.	July 14.	October 14.	
Byrne, Monsignor, <i>Chairman</i>	1	1	1	1	4
Trall, Dr., <i>Vice-Chairman</i>	1	1	1	1	4
Ball, Sir C. B., M.D.	1	1	1	1	4
Brown, Most Rev. Dr.	1	1	1	1	4
Campbell, Rev. Mr.	1	1	1	1	4
Cooney, W. R.	1	1	1	1	4
Coyne, Very Rev. Canon	1	1	1	1	4
Craig, Judge	1	1	1	1	4
Donnelly, Most Rev. Dr.	1	1	1	1	4
Hamilton, Rev. Dr.	1	1	1	1	4
MacGinley, Very Rev. Dean	1	1	1	1	4
Molony, T. F.	1	1	1	1	4
O'Reilly, W. J.	1	1	1	1	4
Osborne, Rev. J. D.	1	1	1	1	4
Smollen, Monsignor	1	1	1	1	4
Starkie, Dr.	1	1	1	1	4
Strange, Sir James	1	1	1	1	4
Taylor, Rev. Dr.	1	1	1	1	4
Tyrell, Dr.	1	1	1	1	4
Walsh, Most Rev. Dr.	1	1	1	1	4

No. V.

ATTENDANCE ROLL OF STANDING COMMITTEE, 1909.

TOTAL NUMBER OF MEETINGS SUMMONED DURING THE YEAR—17.

TOTAL NUMBER OF MEETINGS HELD DURING THE YEAR—16.

MEMBERS OF STANDING COMMITTEE.	DATES OF MEETINGS.																	Total
	January 14.	February 4.	February 18.	March 11.	March 25.	April 18.	May 2.	May 27.	June 10.	July 1.	September 2.	September 30.	October 14.	October 28.	November 11.	December 2.	December 10.	
Byrne, Monsignor, <i>Chairman</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
Trall, Dr., <i>Vice-Chairman</i>	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
*Ball, Sir C. B.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
Craig, Judge	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
Donnelly, Most Rev. Dr.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
Hamilton, Rev. Dr.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
MacGinley, Very Rev. Dean	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
O'Reilly, W. J.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
Osborne, Rev. J. D.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16
Starkie, Dr.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	16

* Resigned October 14, 1909.

† Died July 23, 1909.

‡ Failed for want of a quorum.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION

APPENDIX B.—

No. I.—SUMMARY OF

Dr.

Made up to

TITLE OF ACCOUNT.	£ s. d.
To Armagh Royal School Endowment—Capital,	145 1 0
„ Armagh Protestant Board,	115 10 0
„ Cavan Estate, Sale,	44 8 5
„ Cavan Protestant Board, Loan Account,	485 15 3
„ Donegal Estate, Sale,	11 5 4
„ Donegal Protestant Board,	25 1 2
„ Fermanagh Protestant Board—Income,	15 15 0
„ Fermanagh Protestant Board—Capital,	500 0 0
„ Dungannon Estate, Loan,	25 8 9
„ Fermanagh Estate, Sale,	107 10 11
„ Cappaloughlin Estate, Sale,	38 4 6
„ Leamy Roman Catholic Board—Income,	1 10 0
„ Ulster Bank,	1,375 19 5
„ Agents' Accounts,	787 10 10
„ Banagher, Sale Account,	1 2 6
„ Armagh Estate, Sale,	45 0 0
Total,	£5,759 19 1

IN IRELAND, 6 GRAFTON STREET, DUBLIN.

ACCOUNTS.

CASH ACCOUNTS.

December 31st, 1909.

Cr.

TITLE OF ACCOUNT.	£ s. d.
By Armagh Royal School Endowment—Income,	363 1 1½
„ Cavan Royal School Endowment—Capital,	495 16 8
„ Cavan Royal School Endowment—Income,	137 2 6½
„ Cavan Roman Catholic Board,	33 17 10
„ Raphoe Royal School Endowment—Capital,	0 11 6
„ Raphoe Royal School Endowment—Income,	86 6 7
„ Enniskillen Royal School Endowment—Capital,	145 1 0
„ Enniskillen Royal School Endowment—Income,	515 19 8½
„ Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board—Capital,	800 0 0
„ Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board—Income,	36 14 6
„ Dungannon Royal School Endowment—Income,	240 12 6½
„ Preston (Navan) Income,	281 18 6½
„ Preston (Queen's Co.), Income,	222 8 1
„ Leamy Endowment,	109 6 1
„ Leamy Protestant Board—Capital,	2 18 0
„ Leamy Protestant Board—Income,	34 19 10
„ Banagher Royal School Endowment,	27 14 7½
„ Limerick Diocesan School,	80 14 10
„ Leighlin and Ossory Diocesan School,	1 8 4
„ Meath and Ardsagh Diocesan School,	8 1 0
„ Tuam, Killybeg, and Achonry Diocesan School,	6 4 2
„ Athlone Private School,	2 5 0
„ Banks Endowment, Eyre Court,	8 16 9
„ Repe. R. Owen,	164 18 11
„ Preston School Scholarship, Abbeyfeix,	4 11 4
„ Viscount Limerick Endowment,	54 1 11
„ Carysfort Royal School Endowment,	63 17 3
„ Outstanding Orders,	184 18 4
Total,	£3,789 19 1

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION

No. II.—STOCK

Dr.

Made up to

DESCRIPTION OF SECURITY.	—	
<i>Government 2½ per Cent. Consolidated Stock —</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>	
To Commissioners of Education, "Account A,"	4,196	12 0
" Do. do., (formerly collateral with Bank of Ireland),	2,000	0 0
" Do. do., "Account B,"	164	2 10
" Accountant-General, Credit of Commissioners and Great Southern Railway Company	908	19 2
" Bishop of Cloyne, and others, and Commissioners,	140	6 9
	7,308	1 8
To Canada 3 per cent. Stock,	698	16 2
<i>Railway Debenture Stock, &c.:—</i>		
To Midland Great Western Railway 4 per cent. Debenture,	3,334	0 0
	3,334	0 0
Do. do. 4½ per cent. Debenture,	821	0 0
	821	0 0
Do. do. 4 per cent. Rent Charge,	2,928	0 0
	2,928	0 0
To Great Southern and Western Railway 4 per cent. Guaranteed Preference Stock	5,100	0 0
	5,100	0 0

IN IRELAND, 6 GRAFTON STREET, DUBLIN.

MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT.

December 31st, 1909.

Cr.

TITLE OF ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT, &c.	—
<i>Government 2½ per Cent. Consolidated Stock:—</i>	<i>£ s. d.</i>
By Cavan Roman Catholic Board,	2,607 11 8
„ Preston (Navan) Endowment,	3,514 11 4
„ Limerick Diocesan School,	63 1 6
„ Banks Endowment, Eyrecourt,	11 8 5
„ Do. do.	440 6 9
„ Athlone Private School,	164 2 10
„ Preston General Endowment,	908 19 2
	<hr/> 7,705 1 3 <hr/>
„ Preston School, Navan,	488 16 2
	<hr/>
<i>Railway Debenture Stock, &c.:—</i>	
By Leamy Endowment,	3,169 0 0
„ Leamy Protestant Board,	189 0 0
„ Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board,	28 0 0
	<hr/> 3,384 0 0 <hr/>
„ Leamy Protestant Board,	500 0 0
„ Banks Endowment, Eyrecourt,	65 0 0
„ Leighlin and Querry Diocesan School,	46 0 0
„ Meath and Ardsagh do. do.	108 0 0
„ Tuam, Killalea, and Achonry do. do.	107 0 0
	<hr/> 621 0 0 <hr/>
„ Leamy Endowment,	1,166 0 0
„ Banniskillen Royal School Endowment,	1,417 0 0
„ Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board,	400 0 0
	<hr/> 2,983 0 0 <hr/>
„ Cavan Royal School Endowment,	1,100 0 0
„ Carysfort Royal School Endowment,	1,057 11 8
„ Preston (Queen's County) Endowment,	2,798 14 11
„ Tuam, Killalea, and Achonry Endowment.	114 18 8
„ Banks Endowment, Eyrecourt,	28 15 6
	<hr/> 5,100 0 0 <hr/>

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No. II.—STOCK

Description of Security.	£ s. d.
<i>Railway Debenture Stock, &c. &c.</i>	
To Great Southern and Western Railway 4 per cent. Debenture,	3,611 0 0
	3,611 0 0
To Dublin and South Eastern Railway New Consolidated (A.) 4 per cent. Debenture,	954 0 0
	954 0 0
„ Cork and Macroom 4 per cent. Debenture,	1,000 0 0
„ Midland Railway Company 2½ per cent. Debenture (Donegal Conversion),	900 0 0
	900 0 0
To Great Northern Railway 4 per cent. Debenture,	2,447 0 0
„ Great Northern Railway 4 per cent. Guaranteed Stock,	2,447 0 0
	600 0 0
„ Cork and Brandon 4 per cent. Debenture,	2,667 0 0
	2,667 0 0
„ Great Western Railway 5 per cent. Preference Stock,	900 0 0
	900 0 0

MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT—continued.

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TITLE OF ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT, &c.	£ s. d.		
<i>Railway Debenture Stock, &c.—</i>			
By Leamy Endowment,	1,250	0	0
„ Viscount Limerick Endowment,	22	0	0
„ Cavan Royal School Endowment,	1,245	7	5
„ Raphoe Royal School Endowment,	182	0	0
„ Leighlin and Ossory Diocesan Endowment,	207	7	9
„ Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board,	196	0	0
„ Tuam, Killa, and Achonry,	487	4	10
„ Dungannon Royal School Endowment,	8	0	0
	8,611	0	0
„ Leamy Endowment,	741	0	0
„ Raphoe Royal School Endowment,	218	0	0
	954	0	0
„ Raphoe Royal School Endowment,	1,000	0	0
„ Raphoe Royal School Endowment,	414	0	0
„ Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board,	264	0	0
„ Cavan Royal School Endowment,	72	0	0
„ Leighlin and Ossory Endowment,	34	0	0
„ Meath and Ardagh Endowment,	36	0	0
„ Tuam, Killa, and Achonry Endowment,	80	0	0
	909	0	0
„ Enniskillen Royal School Endowment,	2,300	0	0
„ Viscount Limerick Endowment,	147	0	0
	2,447	0	0
„ Meath and Ardagh Diocesan Endowment,	600	0	0
„ Raphoe Royal School Endowment,	1,687	0	0
„ Enniskillen Royal School Endowment,	990	0	0
	2,677	0	0
„ Limerick Diocesan School,	179	13	11
„ Banagher Royal School,	43	2	7
„ Tuam, Killa, and Achonry Diocesan Endowment,	23	15	0
„ Meath and Ardagh Diocesan Endowment,	25	3	2
„ Leighlin and Ossory Diocesan Endowment,	9	6	10
„ Dungannon Royal School Endowment,	7	7	2
„ Preston School Scholarship,	6	11	4
	800	0	0

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N o. II.—STOCK

DESCRIPTION OF SECURITY.

To Guaranteed Land Stock,

£ s. d.

84,484 18 4

„ Do. do. (Guarantee Deposits).

5,088 0 0

89,572 18 4

Bank of Ireland Stock,

813 5 3

813 5 3

MEMORANDUM ACCOUNT—continued.

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TITLE OF ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT, &c.	—
	<i>£ s. d.</i>
By Cavan Estate Sale,	7,524 18 6
„ Donegal Estate Sale,	11 0 0
„ Fermanagh Estate Sale,	26,948 19 10
„ Raphoe Royal School Endowment,	1,912 0 0
„ Cavan Royal School Endowment,	187 0 0
„ Enniskillen Royal School Endowment,	2,989 0 0
	<hr/> 99,572 18 4
„ Preston School Scholarship, Abbeyfeix,	209 14 4
„ Preston General Account,	4 18 10
„ Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board,	85 9 5
„ Meath and Ardagh Diocesan Endowment,	8 9 5
„ Tuam, Kilsela, and Achonry Diocesan Endowment,	14 19 1
„ Banks Endowment, Eyecourt,	8 8 11
„ Banagher Royal School,	86 5 3
	<hr/> 312 5 3

APPENDIX B.— No. III.—RECEIPTS AND

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CHARGE.

1 (a).—THE ULSTER ROYAL

Name of Endowment.	Credit Balance, Dec. 31, 1906.	RECEIPTS.				Debit Balance, Dec. 31, 1906.	TOTAL.
		Rents.	Dividends.	Other Payments.	Total Receipts.		
Armagh Royal School, . . .	£ s. d. 628 19 8	£ s. d. 960 2 39	£ s. d. 324 15 16	£ s. d. 29 1 9	£ s. d. 1,094 0 5	£ s. d. -	£ s. d. 1,734 0 1
Cavan Royal School, . . .	133 7 31	-	365 16 7	36 27 4	335 11 11	-	470 19 02
Raphoe Royal School, . . .	110 0 6	74 0 0	174 15 7	9 17 0	361 2 7	-	540 3 8
Scottdale Royal School, . . .	612 6 64	74 0 0	895 16 7	64 5 1	1,135 2 8	-	1,647 9 11
Dungannon Royal School, . . .	94 19 41	1,241 17 4	0 9 7	12 1 7	1,064 8 8	-	1,945 8 01
Total, . . .	1,591 17 51	2,332 10 2	2,597 14 2	180 2 8	4,480 7 1	-	6,188 4 41

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CHARGE.

1 (b).—THE ULSTER LOCAL

Name of Local Board.	Credit Balance, Dec. 31, 1906.	RECEIPTS.				Debit Balance, Dec. 31, 1906.	Total.
		Distributions (Share of Endowment).	Dividends, and on Endowment Funds, &c.	Other Receipts.	Total Receipts.		
Armagh Protestant, . . .	£ s. d. -	£ s. d. 374 19 0	£ s. d. -	£ s. d. -	£ s. d. 374 19 0	£ s. d. 115 39 0	£ s. d. 490 0 0
Armagh Roman Catholic, . . .	-	374 19 0	-	-	374 19 0	-	748 19 0
Cavan Protestant, . . .	-	331 0 0	-	-	331 0 0	-	662 0 0
Cavan Roman Catholic, . . .	34 3 2	331 0 0	61 13 0	3 4 0	395 17 0	-	430 0 0
Donegal Protestant, . . .	-	112 0 0	-	11 8 10	123 8 10	-	235 8 10
Donegal Roman Catholic, . . .	-	112 0 0	-	-	112 0 0	25 1 2	137 1 2
Fermanagh Protestant, . . .	-	458 19 0	-	5 0 0	463 19 0	15 15 0	478 34 0
Fermanagh Roman Catholic, . . .	58 15 36	458 19 0	54 0 8	1 14 19	544 5 6	-	603 19 6
Tyrone Protestant, . . .	-	647 0 0	-	-	647 0 0	-	1,294 0 0
Tyrone Roman Catholic, . . .	-	647 0 0	-	-	647 0 0	-	1,294 0 0
Total, . . .	92 18 0	2,936 0 0	116 13 8	21 7 8	5,643 1 4	156 6 2	6,303 4 6

2.—OTHER ROYAL SCHOOLS AND PRIVATE ENDOWMENTS

CHARGE.

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Name of Endowment.	Credit Balance, Dec. 31, 1906.	RECEIPTS.				Debit Balance, December 31, 1906.	Total.
		Rents.	Dividends.	Other Receipts.	Total Receipts.		
Banagher Royal School, . . .	£ s. d. 84 13 31	£ s. d. -	£ s. d. 356 0 0	£ s. d. 1 10 0	£ s. d. 357 10 0	£ s. d. -	£ s. d. 441 13 31
Charter Royal School, . . .	47 0 0	130 14 3	41 16 2	5 12 2	184 2 7	-	242 3 81
Athlone Private School, . . .	2 5 1	-	4 2 0	0 4 0	4 6 0	-	6 11 1
Banks Endowment, Elymore, . . .	9 0 0	15 19 4	0 17 0	0 17 0	31 6 8	-	40 13 8
Leamy Endowment, Limerick, . . .	100 19 39	4 19 4	237 10 6	12 14 1	251 4 7	-	342 5 5
Leamy Protestant Board of Education, . . .	-	-	25 0 3	7 0 0	32 16 3	-	32 16 3
Protestant Endowment (General), . . .	-	-	945 1 11	5 13 9	950 15 6	-	950 15 6
Protestant School, Navan, . . .	54 2 8	-	97 5 8	5 14 2	103 0 1	-	157 2 9
Protestant, Queen's County, . . .	57 8 0	-	104 2 4	6 19 5	112 12 9	-	170 0 9
Protestant, . . .	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Protestant, . . .	8 6 0	-	26 5 5	1 4 6	28 9 11	-	36 16 11
Vicars, Limerick, Endow- ment, . . .	63 10 4	46 3 0	5 6 2	9 16 6	83 7 8	-	146 18 0
West and Ardagh Diocesan School Fund, . . .	38 0 0	-	35 14 9	1 19 6	36 34 5	-	74 34 5
Leighlin and Ousey Diocesan School Fund, . . .	12 14 0	-	15 0 9	0 16 0	15 16 9	-	27 30 9
Limerick Diocesan School Fund, . . .	252 12 1	30 0 0	6 14 6	2 7 3	28 1 9	-	280 14 0
Thorn, &c., Diocesan School Fund, . . .	59 11 5	-	31 8 10	2 5 2	34 14 9	-	93 5 5
Total, . . .	704 19 41	207 9 7	1,736 16 9	50 10 0	1,844 18 4	-	2,549 18 01

* From October 1, 1906, to September 30, 1906.

ACCOUNTS.

EXPENDITURE, 1909.

SCHOOL ENDOWMENTS.

DISCHARGE.

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Debit Balance, Dec. 31, 1908.	EXPENDITURE.						Credit Balance, Dec. 31, 1909.	TOTAL.	Name of Endowment.	
	On Estate, Endowments, &c.			Amount Distributed to Local Boards.	Total Expenditure.					
	Rents, Taxes, &c.	Agency Charges, and other Payments.	Refined Materials Allowances.							
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			
104 5 5	22 13 6	485 0 0	748 0 0	1,379 18 11	368 1 1	1,748 0 1		Armagh Royal School.		
45 22 7	34 9 3	55 13 4	262 0 0	334 1 8	137 2 6	470 19 0		Carra Royal School.		
4 2 3	36 7 7	182 0 0	224 0 0	411 9 20	84 6 7	496 6 3		Rapson Royal School.		
34 9 4	233 18 11	44 7 8	1,284 0 0	1,738 16 6	315 19 3	1,447 0 1		Keshilken Royal School.		
289 8 7	312 12 5	770 0 7	3,006 0 0	4,838 2 5	240 12 4	1,958 6 0		Dungannon Royal School.		
								Total.		

BOARDS OF EDUCATION.

DISCHARGE.

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Debit Balance, December 31, 1908.	CREDITS.				Credit Balance, December 31, 1909.	Total.	Name of Local Board.
	Rents, &c., due by Local Boards.	Income of Endowing Funds, &c., 1909.	Net Amount of Share of Endowment.	Total Credits.			
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	
115 10 0	231 0 0		143 10 0	374 10 0		430 0 0	Armagh Protestant.
			374 10 0	374 10 0		374 10 0	Armagh Roman Catholic.
			131 0 0	131 0 0		131 0 0	Carra Protestant.
25 1 3	63 0 0	65 2 4	40 6 10	199 2 4	33 17 10	339 0 2	Carra Roman Catholic.
12 10 3	38 5 0		112 0 0	153 5 10		148 10 0	Donagh Protestant.
			467 0 0	112 0 0		112 0 0	Donagh Roman Catholic.
		35 16 3	438 10 0	485 5 9		485 5 9	Fermanagh Protestant.
			547 0 0	547 0 0	25 14 6	573 1 4	Fermanagh Roman Catholic.
			547 0 0	547 0 0		547 0 0	Tyrone Protestant.
154 10 6	222 5 0	129 10 3	1,281 18 7	1,643 3 9	62 12 4	1,862 6 6	Tyrone Roman Catholic.
							Total.

AND THE DIOCESAN SCHOOL FUNDS.

DISCHARGE.

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DISCHARGE.										Gr.
Debit Balance, December 31, 1908.	EXPENDITURE.						Credit Balance, December 1909.	Total.	Name of Endowment.	
	On Estate, &c.		Educational.	Total Expenditure.						
	Rents, &c.	Other Expenditure.								
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.			
-	9 3 7	1165 5 6	40 0 0	214 9 1	27 14 7	243 3 5	Banagher Royal School.			
-	4 7 9	34 4 10	180 0 0	368 12 7	62 15 0	431 7 7	Cappamore Royal School.			
-	4 18 1	0 0 10	4 6 1	4 6 1	0 0 0	6 11 1	Alford Private School.			
-	40 0 0	0 9 1	16 19 0	21 37 11	8 16 9	30 15 6	Bank's Endowment, Eyransagh.			
-		1 10 0	26 5 3	26 5 3	109 5 1	136 1 5	Leamy Endowment, Limerick.			
-	80 3 1	1 4 0	860 4 7	941 15 8		941 15 8	Leamy Protestant Board of Education.			
-			108 19 8	129 19 8	54 5 1	183 7 9	Protestant Endowment (General).			
-			170 11 6	170 11 6	89 9 3	259 0 9	Protestant School, Navan.			
-		29 3 7	26 0 0	29 3 7	4 11 4	33 14 11	Protestant, Queen's County, Endowment.			
-		0 2 1	22 14 0	22 16 1	54 1 11	106 16 0	Protestant Scholarship.			
-		135 1 3	34 0 0	41 1 3	3 1 0	64 2 3	Vicars' Limerick Endowment, Dungannon.			
-		213 0 5	12 0 0	25 0 5	1 8 4	26 8 9	Mash and Ardagh Diocesan School Fund.			
-		2250 0 0		2250 0 0	30 14 10	2280 14 10	Limerick and Omeau Diocesan School Fund.			
-		240 1 3	28 0 0	68 1 3	6 4 2	73 5 5	Limerick Diocesan School Fund.			
-	126 18 0	589 2 10	1,640 13 4	2,355 4 6	623 9 4	3,261 18 0	Town, &c., Diocesan School Fund.			
							Total.			

1 Including £100 netting annuity of late Head Master and £60 invested.
 2 Including Investments.

No. IV.—SUMMARY RENTAL FOR YEAR TO SEPTEMBER-NOVEMBER, 1908.

RENTALS, 1908.

Name of Estate.	Arrears, 1907.	Rent, 1908.	Total.	Collected, 1908.	Arrears, 1908.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Tyrone,	1,730 5 3	1,593 1 11	3,323 7 2	1,710 11 2	1,611 16 0
Do. Beg.	121 19 8	122 17 6	244 17 2	119 6 6	125 10 9
Caryfoyle,	30 0 0	126 14 3	164 14 3	118 14 6	33 19 9
Totals,	1,882 4 11	1,841 13 3	3,723 18 7	1,934 12 1	1,770 6 0

No. V.—SUMMARY OF AGENTS' ACCOUNTS, MAY, 1908, TO MAY, 1909.

Name of Estate.	Balance, 1908.	Receipts, 1908-9.	Total.	Outgoings, 1908-9.	Lodged, 1908-9.	Balance, 1909.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Tyrone,	172 10 0	1,836 4 10	2,008 14 10	308 10 4	1,330 0 0	160 4 6
Caryfoyle,	NIL.	118 14 6	118 14 6	35 16 4	82 18 2	NIL.
Total,	172 10 0	1,954 19 6	2,127 9 4	344 6 8	1,412 18 2	150 4 6

Educational Endowments.

Scheme No. 34.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD, DUBLIN.

15th March, 1910.

SIR,

I am directed by the Local Government Board for Ireland to forward, herewith, for the information of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland, a copy of the Report of the Auditor on his audit of their accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1909, together with attested abstracts of the accounts.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. E. DEVLIN.

Assistant Secretary.

The Secretary,

Commissioners of Education in Ireland

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOARD, DUBLIN.

11th March, 1910.

GENTLEMEN,

I have the honour to report that I have audited the Accounts of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland for the Year ended the 31st December, 1909, under the provisions of the Educational Endowments (Ireland) Act, 1885; and I forward, herewith, the Abstracts of the several Accounts for that period, in the prescribed form, duly certified.

During the Year a sum of £417 7s. 6d., representing, mainly, accumulated Cr. balances on the Accounts of seven Endowments, was invested in £900 Great Western Railway 5% Preference Stock. The Stock Account of each of the Endowments concerned has been duly credited with its share of the Stock purchased.

The Arrears of rent due, as shown by the Rental Statement last received at the date of Audit, amounted to £1,775 6s. 6d., which figure represents the Arrears up to the 31st November, 1908.

At the close of the Year there was a balance of £1,191 1s. 1d. to Cr. of the Bank Account. I have examined the certificates of the various Stocks held by the Commissioners and found them in order.

The Accounts were prepared and submitted for Audit in a satisfactory manner.

I am, Gentlemen,

Your Obedient Servant,

The Local Government Board,
Dublin.(Signed) R. J. BAKER,
Auditor.

INSPECTION, 1908-1909.

I.

REPORT

With regard to the INSPECTION for the YEAR 1908-1909 of the SCHOOLS selected by the Local Boards of Education to share in the

ULSTER ROYAL SCHOOL ENDOWMENTS.

As Inspector appointed by His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant for the school year 1908-1909, I made my inspection of these Schools in September, 1909. The number of such Schools on the present occasion is similar to that of last year, viz., twelve, the Fermanagh Protestant Board having again "selected" the Ladies' Collegiate School, Enniskillen, in addition to Enniskillen Royal School.

The subjoined Table shows the accommodation of the Schools and the numbers on their Rolls respectively:—

NAME OF SCHOOL.	No. of Pupils which the School can accommodate.			No. of Pupils on Roll, 1908-1909.				
				Boys.		Day Pupils.		Total.
	Boys.	Day Pupils.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.	
Royal School, Armagh, ...	100	100	200	49	.	31	.	80
St. Patrick's College, Armagh, ...	60	16	76	36	.	5	.	41
Royal School, Cavan, ...	40	40	80	11	.	24	.	35
St. Patrick's College, Cavan, ...	90	50	140	65	.	35	.	100
Royal School, Raphoe, ...	40	100	140	14	2	22	15	53
St. Eunan's Seminary, Letterkenny, ...	80	20	100	67	.	6	.	73
Royal School, Enniskillen, ...	100	50	150	71	.	21	.	92
Ladies' Collegiate School, Enniskillen, ...	.	30	30	.	.	8	17	25
St. Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan, ...	100	20	120	62	.	1	.	63
St. Michael's College, Enniskillen, ...	.	50	50	.	.	32	.	32
Royal School, Dungannon, ...	60	140	200	27	10	46	52	135
St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon, ...	.	130	130	.	.	17	34	51
Totals, ...	670	746	1,416	402	12	248	116	780

The success of the Schools, as shown by the Intermediate Examinations, is set forth in the following Table:—

NAME OF SCHOOL.	No. of Pupils on Intermediate School Roll.	Number presented for Intermediate Examinations.		Number who passed.		Percentage of Pupils in Intermediate School Roll.	Percentage of Pupils who passed presented for examination.
		Males.	Females.	Males.	Females.		
Royal School, Armagh, ...	57	26	.	18	.	25	61.5
St. Patrick's College, Armagh, ...	23	13	.	11	.	47.8	84.6
Royal School, Cavan, ...	19	17	.	11	.	57.8	64.7
St. Patrick's College, Cavan, ...	69	44	.	34	.	49.3	77.2
Royal School, Raphoe, ...	35	19	6	5	3	22.8	32
St. Eunan's Seminary, Letterkenny, ...	64	60	.	38	.	59.3	63.8
Royal School, Enniskillen, ...	58	36	.	14	.	24.1	38.6
Ladies' Collegiate School, Enniskillen, ...	12	.	7	.	4	33.3	57.1
St. Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan, ...	54	53	.	37	.	68.5	69.8
St. Michael's College, Enniskillen, ...	26	23	.	19	.	73	82.6
Royal School, Dungannon, ...	81	38	13	22	9	38.2	60.7
St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon, ...	51	17	34	12	20	62.7	69.7
General Result, ...	537	348	60	219	36	47.4	62.8

* These numbers set, of course, only approximate.

School Rolls.—The number of pupils on the rolls for the year just closed amounts to 780, as compared with 799 for the year 1907-08. It is never satisfactory to have to record a decreased attendance, but then it must be remembered that last year's returns constituted a record, and that the present figures are considerably higher than reasonably could have been hoped for some few years back. It is further to be noted that there has been no general falling off; five of the schools have more than held their own, while in only three cases can the reductions be regarded as substantial.

The most remarkable increases in individual school rolls are those of St. Eunan's, Letterkenny, 4; St. Patrick's, Carran, 3; and Dungannon Royal School, 3; in all of which cases the numbers had already reached very high standards. The most notable reductions are those of Enniskillen Royal School, 12; St. Patrick's, Armagh, 6; and St. Patrick's, Dungannon, 6. These reductions are the more remarkable in the case of the Enniskillen and Dungannon Schools, in that this is the second year in succession in which substantially reduced numbers have had to be recorded.

The gross Intermediate rolls this year numbered 537, of whom 406 were presented for examination, that is 75 per cent.; while last year the figures were 566 and 436, or 78 per cent. This is the third time in succession that a reduced percentage in this respect has occurred. I regret that this is so, as I am strongly of opinion that if a pupil be reading the Intermediate course, the fact that he has to submit to public examination at the end of the year acts as a stimulus, not only to him, but to his teacher. Consequently, I think it is desirable to secure that the number presented for examination shall tally, as far as circumstances will permit, with the number on the Intermediate Roll. In saying this, however, I must repeat an observation made in a previous Report, viz., that allowances must be made for certain schools on whose rolls there are considerable numbers of backward boys who are too old for the Preparatory Grade, and of too low a standard of educational efficiency for a higher grade.

Educational Efficiency.—Tested by the results of the recent Intermediate Examinations, the schools, taken as a whole, have done creditably. The successful candidates number 385 out of 406 who entered for the Examinations, that is, the percentage of "Passes" is 62.8. As compared with last year—when the percentage was 71.4—this is not a very brilliant achievement, but it is to be remembered that the general results for the country as a whole also show a falling off this year; the general percentage of "Passes" being 55.1, as compared with 61.1 in 1908. It will thus be seen that the results for the particular schools with which we are dealing still maintain their supremacy over the results for the schools generally throughout the country. But that supremacy is not so marked now as it was last year, when the particular and general results were represented by 71.4 and 61.1 respectively, as against 62.8 and 55.1 on the present occasion. For this reduction two schools are mainly accountable, and with them Latin and French—for the most part essential to a Pass—were the fatal subjects. Speaking generally, my experience goes to show that languages—especially English, Latin, and French—were accountable for the majority of the failures this year.

Notwithstanding the fact that a reduced percentage of Passes is the common experience of the vast majority of schools this year, four of the twelve schools, now under review, have substantially improved their position in this respect. They are St. Patrick's College, Armagh, Royal School, Carran, St. Patrick's College, Carran, and St. Michael's School, Enniskillen. In these cases the percentages of Passes have risen as follows:—St. Patrick's, Armagh, from 80 to 84; Royal School, Carran, from 69 to 74; St. Patrick's, Carran, from 74 to 77; and St. Michael's, Enniskillen, from 78 to 83. The performance of that the number presented for examination was not an exhaustive one. The results obtained in Enniskillen and Raphoe Royal Schools are not what one might expect. It is to be remarked, however, that in each of these schools a broad curriculum is studied, and that the number of failures in individual subjects was comparatively small.

Buildings, Equipment, &c.—Speaking generally, the school buildings are in good order, and the teaching appliances are sufficient and suitable. Many of the Local Boards have been active during the year, and much has been done towards the proper upkeep of the premises. But in the case of the Royal School two ceilings and floors in the Headmaster's quarters, where dry rot had set in, have been completely overhauled, and the two junior class rooms, with the staircase leading thereto, have received much-needed attention. The front of Dungannon Royal School has been cemented, and two of the classrooms have received much-needed additional light by means of structural alterations. The new wing of St. Macarten's Seminary, which will well repay a visit, is now completed.

Ten of the schools are furnished with well-equipped laboratories, and the Reports of the Department on the Science teaching are, for the most part, satisfactory.

I would call attention to the following points:—

St. Patrick's, Armagh.—The dampness in the new dormitory, alluded to in a previous report has not disappeared.

Royal School, Armagh.—The wallpaper is peeling in one of the dormitories, and in the back windows several panes of glass are broken.

Royal School, Raphoe.—The dining hall should be done up, and the back of the main building sadly needs attention.

St. Michael's, Enniskillen.—The ceiling of staircase in residential quarters has again given way, and there are signs of dampness in the recreation room.

St. Macarrie's, Monaghan.—The ventilation of the classrooms should be much better attended to.

Royal School, Dungannon.—If at all possible, means should be found to provide additional classroom in the Girls' Department.

St. Patrick's, Dungannon.—A supply of maps is still required for the Boys' Department.

Health.—The health prevailing in the schools continues excellent. A few isolated cases of measles, chickenpox, and whooping cough were the only forms of illness experienced during the year.

Free Places.—All the schools advertised "free education" for at least two pupils as prescribed by Section 59 of the Scheme. Armagh and Raphoe Royal Schools attracted no applicants, while in five cases there was no competition, the number of candidates not exceeding the number of places offered. For the other schools the applications were fairly numerous, and with two exceptions the standard of excellence reached was high.

Local Boards.—Speaking generally, the various Local Boards have duly observed the provisions of the Scheme. Minutes and accounts are, for the most part, well kept, but in some cases the attendance of members leaves much to be desired. Where this has occurred during successive years, it seems futile to continue, as has frequently been the case, re-electing or co-opting those who have been found wanting. Fresh blood should be introduced.

Ladies' Collegiate School, Enniskillen.—Again I find myself unable to certify this school as "qualified" to share in the Ulster Royal School Endowments. The conditions in which it has been found wanting for the school year just concluded are:—

1. The Scheme requires that there should have been twenty pupils of the prescribed age receiving Intermediate Education during the year. There were only twelve such pupils.

2. The Scheme requires that at least seven pupils from the school should have "passed" at the recent Intermediate Examinations. The number who so passed was only four.

I regret to be unable to find the school "qualified," but I note with pleasure that whereas the items of disqualification were three last year, they number only two on the present occasion.

Schedule I. Qualified Schools.—With the exception of the Ladies' Collegiate School, above referred to, I am satisfied that all the necessary conditions have been fulfilled, and I beg to report the compliance by each of the other eleven schools with the requirements of the Scheme in respect of the school year ended August 1, 1909.

The matters which call for attention, and to which I have alluded above, will be made the subject of further reference in my detailed Report to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant.

STANISLAUS MURPHY,
Inspector

October 5, 1909.

INSPECTION.

II.

DETAILED REPORT OF THE LORD LIEUTENANT'S INSPECTOR.

I.—*Armagh Protestant Board of Education.*

Four meetings were held during the year, and I am glad to note that the attendance of members has improved, although one of the clerical representatives of the Diocesan Council failed to put in a single appearance. Sir James Stronge, having resigned the Hon. Secretaryship, has been succeeded by Mr. Nelson, with whom I had the advantage of an interview when in Armagh. I have hopes that the advertisements for Free Place Candidates, which up to the present have had little or no result, will in future attract more attention.

Armagh Royal School.—There is little change in the School Roll, but the percentage of Passes at the Intermediate Examinations has dropped from 73 to 61. The result, however, is still creditable, and compares favourably with that for the schools generally throughout the country. The Senior and Middle Grade Pupils were very good, languages being particularly strong, but, strange to say, in the Junior and Preparatory Grades, languages were comparatively weak. During the year much has been done towards the upkeep of the premises. Two junior class rooms, with the staircase leading thereto, have received much attention, and two rooms in the Head Master's quarters have been completely overhauled. A supply of new desks, I was glad to hear, will soon be forthcoming. I should like to see the dining hall refreshed; the paper is peeling in one of the dormitories, and there are several panes of glass broken in the back windows.

II.—*Armagh Roman Catholic Board of Education.*

Five meetings were held, and the attendance was uniformly good, with the exception of one lay member who failed to attend "one third of the meetings," as required by the Statute. The financial position of this Board has improved. The minutes and accounts are accurately kept.

St. Patrick's College, Armagh.—I am sorry to note that the School Roll has dropped from 47 to 41. Now that such fine dormitory accommodation has been provided, it is a pity that it should not be fully availed of. The recreation grounds, too, have received much attention. Of 18 pupils presented for the Intermediate Examinations, 11 passed, that is, 61 per cent., which is the highest amongst the schools sharing in the Ulster Royal School Endowments. In fairness to the other schools, however, it must be stated that the number submitted to examination was not altogether exhaustive. All the necessary subjects are taught, but I should like to see more attention given to Drawing. The houses and grounds are generally in good order. A decided improvement has been effected in the second dormitory by removing the wooden partitions, but in the new dormitory the dampness, previously alluded to, still exists.

III.—*Cavan Protestant Board of Education.*

There is one vacancy on this Board owing to a Representative of the Select Vestry having ceased to reside in the district. The question of co-opting additional members under Section 22 of the Scheme has not yet taken practical shape, but the matter has not been lost sight of. The valuable house scholarships offered by the Board, which failed to attract candidates last year, were awarded to fairly promising pupils this year, but only one of the Free Places advertised under the Scheme could be awarded owing to lack of suitable applicants. The work devolving on the Hon. Secretary is, as usual, well done.

Cavan Royal School.—The School Roll remains unchanged (85), while the percentage of Passes has increased from 60 to 64. This is all the more satisfactory in view of the fact that the vast majority of schools show decreased percentages this year. Languages, which showed signs of weakness last year, were strong in the Senior Grade, and of the six pupils who passed in the Junior Grade, not one failed in a single subject. Whooping cough interfered with the preparation of some of the pupils, but the school attendance was on the whole one of the most satisfactory that has come under my notice. The premises are in good repair, but it would be desirable to brighten the large class-room by removing some trees which at present partially block the windows.

IV.—*Cavan Roman Catholic Board of Education.*

The duties of this Board are light, but meetings are regularly held, and the attendance of members was exceptionally good during the year. There was a good competition for the Free Places offered, there being eight candidates, the highest of whom scored 75 per cent. The Examiner reported grammar to be generally weak.

St. Patrick's College, Cavan.—The School Roll has increased from 97 to 100 and the percentage of Passes from 74 to 77. This is a record on which the College Staff have every reason to enter themselves. The Junior Grade class was a particularly satisfactory one. Of the sixteen who passed, three gained exhibitions, and not one failed in any of the 7 subjects taken at the examinations.

The late age at which many of the pupils enter is still a feature of this college. For instance, of the sixty-nine returned on the Intermediate Roll this year, thirteen, whose average age was

seventeen, were learning only the rudiments of the various languages. This state of things constitutes a heavy tax on the energies of the teaching staff.

The house generally is in good order, but I shall hope soon to see the hall coat renovated and the desks in the study hall renewed or replaced by more modern ones.

V.—Donegal Protestant Board of Education.

The majority of this Board take a practical interest in the working of the school. Six meetings were held during the year, and the attendance of members has improved. There was no qualified candidate for the Free Places offered, but that the work of the school is appreciated in the district is proved by the fact that there are benefactors found willing to establish scholarships and offer prizes for deserving pupils.

Repose Royal School.—The School Roll shows a decrease of four, for which the girls' department is accountable; the male pupils being more numerous than last year. In this connection I am glad to note a substantial increase in the number of boy boarders. The Intermediate Results are disappointing, the percentage of Passes having dropped from forty-eight to thirty-two. Latin and French were the fatal subjects. As many as eight boys failed in those subjects in the Preparatory Grade, although acquitting themselves creditably in Mathematics. The appointment of an additional assistant master this year is, I think, wise, as the curriculum of the school is a wide one.

The front of the premises is now in very good condition, and the removal of some trees has had a beneficial effect on the lighting of the girls' class-room. The points now calling for attention are (1) the back of main building, which badly needs plastering; (2) the dining-room, which requires to be done up; and (3) the bath-room accommodation, an additional bath is required.

VI.—Donegal Roman Catholic Board of Education.

The business to be done by this Board is little more than formal, but meetings are regularly held, and the attendance of the clerical members is very satisfactory. The same cannot be said of the laymen who, with one exception, attended badly during the year. There were numerous candidates for the Free Places which are offered on a generous scale, and the scoring was up to a good standard, the two best candidates gaining nearly eighty per cent.

St. Eunan's Seminary, Letterkenny.—The School Roll now numbers seventy-three as against sixty-nine last year, and sixty in the previous year. Practically the whole Intermediate School Roll—sixty out of sixty-four—was submitted for examination, but the percentage of passes (68.8) although creditable, falls short of the very high standard attained last year. The Senior and Preparatory grades were very good, especially the former, but many failures occurred in the Middle and Junior grades. As usual, Classics were strong; Mathematics have improved, but French evidently requires much attention. Apart from this subject, the marks taken all round were good.

I can only repeat my encumbrance as to the order and neatness prevailing in the Seminary, but I regret to note that the signs of dampness, already alluded to, have not yet disappeared.

VII.—Fermanagh Protestant Board of Education.

One change has taken place in the constitution of the Board—Mr. Edward Mitchell representing the Methodist Conference in the room of Mr. S. B. Humphreys, deceased. The attendance of members works out at nearly sixty-four per cent., and much good work has been done. Some valuable entrance Scholarships have been founded; arrangements have been made for Manual Instruction, and for developing Commercial Education; some new desks have been supplied; and much money and attention have been spent on the out-offices in putting the byres in an up-to-date condition.

Enniskillen Royal School.—The School Roll shows a reduction of twelve on that of last year—ninety-two taking the place of 104. The Intermediate results also show a marked falling off, the percentage of "Passes" being 68.8 now, as compared with 55 on the previous occasion. In this connection, however, it is only fair to say that the School curriculum is a wide one, that the number of failures in individual subjects was comparatively small, and that the low percentage of successes is, for the most part, the result of failure in one necessary subject, viz., French or English. The Preparatory grade class was a good one, and should furnish promising material for the Junior grade next year.

The Board is to be commended for its enterprise in paying special attention to what may be called Commercial Education, but I do hope that as a result the number of entrants for the Intermediate Examinations will not be diminished. A fair general education should form the ground-work on which to specialise for all examinations, and it is difficult to imagine a walk in life in which a boy will not be benefited by having read the Intermediate Course. I think, therefore, it should be required—unless there be good reason to the contrary—that all pupils pass through the Junior grade class at least, before joining the Commercial class.

The interior of the house, generally, is now in very good repair; but the front will soon need attention. The question of additional baths and an increased water supply also demand consideration.

Ladies' Collegiate School.—The following is my Report to the Commissioners of Education in Ireland:—

"**Ladies' Collegiate School, Enniskillen.**—Again I find myself unable to certify this school as "qualified" to share in the Ulster Royal School Endowments. The conditions in which it has been found wanting for the school year just concluded are:—

"1. The Scheme requires that there should have been twenty pupils of the prescribed age receiving Intermediate Education during the year. There were only twelve such pupils.

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- "2. The Scheme requires that at least seven pupils from the school should have 'passed' at the recent Intermediate Examinations. The number who so passed was only four.
 "I regret to be unable to find the school 'qualified,' but I note with pleasure that whereas the items of disqualification were three last year, they number only two on the present occasion."

VIII.—*Fermagh Roman Catholic Board of Education.*

Three vacancies have occurred on this Board during the year—two through the lamented death of Most Rev. Dr. Owens, Bishop of Clogher, and Very Rev. Dean Smollen, and one through non-attendance on the part of a lay member of the Board. The recent appointment of Most Rev. Dr. McKenna, as Bishop of Clogher, reduces the number of vacancies to two. The attendance of members generally was good, and the Minutes and Accounts were well kept. With regard to the cheque book, however, I should be glad if each block stated the object for which the corresponding cheque was drawn. The financial position of the Board demands attention.

St. Macartin's Academy, Monaghan.—The School Roll has undergone little change, but the percentage of Passes has fallen from seventy-seven to sixty-nine. Still, this latter result must be considered as highly creditable when one considers that practically the whole Intermediate Roll (fifty-three out of a possible fifty-four) was submitted for examination. Latin and French showed weakness in some grades; but Classics, Irish, and Experimental Science were good throughout. The new wing is now completed, and is a splendid addition to the equipment of the college. The four free places offered attracted spirited competition, there being nineteen candidates, six of whom scored over sixty per cent., and nine over fifty. Again I have to remark that the ventilation of the class-rooms should receive more attention.

St. Michael's School, Enniskillen.—The number on the roll is still lower than I should like to see it—thirty-two as against thirty-one in 1906 and thirty-eight in 1907—but the percentage of Passes is very high, eighty-two as compared with seventy-eight last year. The marks obtained all round were very good; there was no really weak subject, History and Geography and Latin being merely less strong than the other subjects.

A new boundary wall, which is being built, will be an improvement, but the playground is still poor. In the residential quarters the ceiling to staircase has again given way, and the dampness in recreation room shows no improvement.

IX.—*Tyrone Protestant Board of Education.*

Five meetings were held during the year, but the attendance leaves room for improvement. Of a Board of nine members, two failed to attend a single meeting, and two attended only one each. This is not as it should be. Much good work has been done, however, especially in the up-keep and improvement of the school premises. The front has been cemented, additional light has been given to some of the class-rooms by flattening the roof of the boys' entrance, some walls have been refreshed, and the tops of many of the desks have been renewed. The woodwork of the windows now needs attention, and also the class-room, which was formerly the boarders' study hall.

Dungannon Royal School.—The strong School Roll of last year (189) has been more than maintained as it now reaches 185. The percentage of "Passes," however, shows a falling off—60.7 taking the place of 65.6. Experimental Science and Mathematics were particularly good, but Latin showed weakness, particularly in the Junior Grade. The Middle Grade class was very successful, the seven who passed gaining honours.

In the girls' department there was a pronounced reduction in the number of entrants for the Intermediate Examinations, thirteen taking the place of twenty-one, and languages were not so good as usual. Drawing and Botany, on the other hand, were very creditable. The tone of this department is distinctly good, but additional class-room is a crying necessity.

X.—*Tyrone Roman Catholic Board of Education.*

I have no remark to make on this Board except that the attendance of some of the lay members might be much better. No less than three vacancies, caused by non-attendance, had to be filled during the year. Quarterly meetings are regularly held and the minutes are well kept.

St. Patrick's Academy, Dungannon.—The School Roll, I am sorry to say, is again reduced to the level of some three years back, viz., fifty-two, is having in the meantime stood at sixty-nine in 1907, and at fifty-seven in 1908. It is more than a pity that such educational facilities are not fully appreciated. In the boys' school Mathematics and French were very good, and there was not a single failure in English. The girls were not so successful as on previous occasions, and I think an explanation may be found in the fact that the school work was much disorganised for a time through the departure of one of the staff. French and Mathematics were weak, and there was also a disproportionate number of failures in Experimental Science. I was glad to note an improvement as to regularity of attendance amongst the girls. The general result for the school is a percentage of 62.7 Passes as compared with 61.2 last year. It is to be remembered, however, that at the 1909 Examinations absolutely the whole School Roll was presented.

A supply of maps is still required.

October 18th, 1909.

SPENCER MURPHY, Inspector.

Scheme No. 55.—Diocese of Meath. Preston (Navan) Endowment.

I visited Preston School, Navan, on December 10th, 1909. There were sixteen pupils present. Twenty on the roll. Two were absent through illness. Work seemed to be progressing satisfactorily. The different teachers were in separate class rooms. At the time of my visit a class of the more advanced pupils was engaged in the study of Shorthand. Typewriting is also taught with success.

February 15, 1910.

WILLIAM F. ALMEST, Inspector.

Scheme No. 95.—Leamy Endowments, Limerick.

Leamy Protestant Board.—I regret exceedingly to have to report the death of Rev. James Dowd, the efficient Secretary of the Protestant Board, who always took the greatest interest in the affairs of that Board and in the School under its management. The new Secretary is Rev. B. A. Adderley, St. Mary's Cathedral, Limerick. The death of Captain Vandehist, which occurred towards the close of 1908, caused a vacancy on the Board which has not yet been filled. The usual meetings were held during the year, the attendance of members being very creditable; the Minutes and Accounts are well kept.

Leamy High School.—The School Roll has not been maintained at the high level of last year—39 taking the place of 41. All the pupils are Protestants, and the Denominations are represented as follows:—Episcopalians, 28; Presbyterians, 7; Baptists, 8. Out of 5 pupils presented for the Intermediate Examinations last year, 4 passed, while on the occasion of my recent visit 4 were being prepared for this year's examinations. I am sorry to report that whooping cough was rife in the spring, and that the Head Mistress has again been ill. I was pleased with the reading of the infant class, with the English Composition of the advanced juniors, and with the tone of the School generally. The damp walls, alluded to in previous reports, although treated during the year, show little improvement.

Leamy Roman Catholic Board.—Rev. Father Fee has ceased to be a member of the Board, owing to his promotion to a parish in the County Limerick, and has been succeeded by Rev. Father O'Connor. All the members of the Board attend regularly, with the exception of Dean Shanahan, for whom advancing years form sufficient excuse. The Board have shown themselves active in carrying out improvements during the year. The class-rooms have been re-coloured, the laboratory has been equipped, and some new desks of a very useful type have been supplied. Altogether something between £500 and £600 has been expended during the last two years on improvements and maintenance of premises. The accounts are very neatly kept.

Leamy National School.—The numbers on the Roll and in average attendance for the first quarter of the present year were 455 and 384 respectively, as compared with 438 and 335 for the first quarter of 1906. On the day of my visit there were 367 pupils in attendance. English Composition in the senior class was very good, the drawings of many of the pupils reach a high standard, and the discipline of this large School continues to be well maintained. I am glad to note that the lavatory adjoining the School is now kept in fair condition, but the front of the premises shows much sign of age and wear, and should receive early attention.

June 25, 1909.

STANISLAUS MURPHY, Inspector.

Scheme No. 111.—Preston Endowment, Queen's County.

No meeting of the Governing Body was held from February, 1908, until January, 1909. A meeting summoned for April, 1908, having failed for want of a quorum, no further steps were taken to convene a meeting during the year. However, a marked improvement is noticeable for 1909. Quarterly meetings have been regularly held, and the attendance of members is fair. Mr. H. E. Leigh having resigned the Secretaryship to the Governing Body, Mr. G. C. Swan, J.P., has been appointed his successor. The financial position is stronger than that of last year; the minutes and accounts are well kept.

In view of the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, I would suggest the advisability of having the Staff insured.

It is with genuine satisfaction that I report a substantial increase in the roll of this school—27 now taking the place of 20 last year. Of the 18 on the Intermediate Roll, it was intended to present 18 for examination, but, unfortunately, measles incapacitated 4 of the pupils—8 of whom actually commenced the examination but were unable to complete. Of the 9 who survived the ordeal 5 passed—a Junior Grade Exhibition being amongst the distinctions. As in former years, Mathematics and Experimental Science were very creditable. In the Middle Grade, Languages were the fatal subjects, and History and Geography showed weakness generally. I have never seen the premises in better condition than they are at present, and were it not for the damp corner in the Headmaster's Dining Room, there would be little to desire. The domestic arrangements seem very satisfactory.

STANISLAUS MURPHY, Inspector.

APPENDIX D.

REPORTS OF THE LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION.

I.—Armagh Protestant Board of Education.

The Armagh Protestant Board of Education beg to submit the following as their Report for the year ended August 1st, 1909:—

The Members of the Board during the year have been:—

Representing the Armagh Diocesan Synod:—

1. His Grace the Lord Primate.
2. The Very Reverend the Dean of Armagh.
3. The Venérable the Archbishop of Armagh.
4. Sir James H. Stronge, Bart.
5. Arthur Nelson, Esq., J.P.

Representing the General Assembly:—

6. The Rev. David Miller.
7. The Rev. R. J. Patterson.
8. H. G. McCrum, Esq., D.L.

Representing the Methodist Conference:—

9. Joshua E. Peel, Esq.

The numbers prefixed to the names of the members show the numbers of their attendances at meetings of the Board.

Meetings were held on December 16th, 1908, 29th March, 1909, 4th May, 1909, and 22nd July, 1909.

On December 16th, 1908, Sir James H. Stronge, Bart., was re-elected our representative on the Board of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland.

On March 29th, 1909, the Lord Primate was re-elected Chairman, the Rev. David Miller Vice-Chairman, and Sir James H. Stronge, having expressed a desire to relinquish the office of Hon. Secretary, Mr. Arthur Nelson was duly elected in his place. Mr. Peel, Mr. Nelson, and Sir James H. Stronge were re-elected representatives on the Joint Estates Committee.

The Armagh Royal School has been very efficiently maintained during the year. The number of pupils during Summer term, 1909, were:—

Boarders	...	...	...	...	48.
Day pupils	...	...	...	...	31.

The following were the teaching staff:—

- H. Hirsch, B.A., Cambridge.
- G. B. Chadwick, B.A., St. John's College, Oxford.
- W. Martin, B.Sc., F.R.S., Wales.
- J. L. Austin, B.Sc., London.
- O. Draper, F.R.S.

A list of twenty boys who, among others, have received instruction in the subjects prescribed by the Scheme, and have made 100 attendances, was forwarded as usual to the Lord Lieutenant's inspector.

Twenty-six boys entered for the Intermediate Examinations. The following 16 passed:—Senior Grade—8 candidates—Taylor, McKenna, Murphy. All passed. Two with honours. Middle Grade—5 candidates—4 passed, namely, Magowan, Reid, Murphy, Sproule. Two honours.

Junior Grade—18 candidates—7 passed: Dorman, Bates, Mansfield I., Mansfield II., Mann, Watson, Nesbitt, McKenna II.

Preparatory Grade—8 candidates—2 passed: Jackson, Aston.

It is regretted that there was no response to the advertisement issued offering Free Place Scholarships.

The finances of the Board have somewhat improved. The balances to our Credit in the Bank of Ireland at the present time are:—

	£	s.	d.
General Account	...	92	11 9
Maintenance Account	...	135	4 11
Total to Credit	...	£226	16 8

An Abstract of the Accounts, audited by the Local Government Board auditor, is appended.

F. G. McCLENNAN,

6th December, 1909.

Chairman.

EDUCATIONAL ENDOWMENTS (IRELAND) ACT, 1895.

43 & 49 Vic., Chap. 73.

THE ACCOUNT OF ARMSH PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION for the Year ended 31st December, 1909.

Dr.

Cr.

CHARGE.	£	s.	d.	DISBURSE.	£	s.	d.
Balance as per last Account	18	4	1	Amounts of payments under the following headings:—			
Amounts received during the period in respect of Donations, Bequests, or other Endowments	32	10	0	Maintenance of Premises	44	16	1
Subscription	1	1	0	Taxes, &c.	73	2	5
Dividends	1	7	8	Insurance, Repairs, &c.	2	14	5
Fees	75	16	8	Auditor's Fee	1	1	0
				Total Payment	121	13	9
				Balance per Bank Book	£7	5	8
				Balance in favour of this Account on the 31st December, 1909	7	5	8
TOTAL	128	19	5	TOTAL	128	19	5

We certify that the above is a correct account.

[Seal]

DAVID MILLER, Governor.

JAMES H. SYMONS, Accounting Officer.

Dated this 29th day of March, 1909.

I certify that the foregoing is correct.

RICHARD GRUND,

Local Government Auditor.

14th April, 1909.

II.—Armagh Roman Catholic Board of Education.

The Armagh Catholic Board of Education beg to submit the following as their report for the year ending 1st August, 1909.

Five meetings of the Board were held in St. Patrick's College, Armagh, during the year.

The following tabulated form gives the names of the present members of the Board, with the attendances of each member at the meetings during the above period:—

	Sep. 9, 1908	Nov. 11, 1908	Dec. 7, 1908	Feb. 17, 1909	May 8, 1909	Total
His Eminence Cardinal Logue	1	1	1			3
Very Rev. Canon Coyne	1	1	1			3
Very Rev. Canon Grimes	1			1		2
Rev. M. B. McDonville	1				1	2
Wm. Kerr, Esq., M.D., J.P.	1				1	2
H. J. McKee, Esq.		1	1	1		3
A. Donnelly, Esq.		1	1	1		3
Patrick Lavery, Esq.				1	1	2
Rev. P. Sherrin	1	1	1	1	1	5

The Board has placed on record its deep regret at the death of the Very Rev. Canon McGeaney, P.P., for many years an active member of the Board.

At the meeting of the Board, held on May 8th, 1909, Rev. P. Sherrin, P.P., Crossmaglen, was elected to the vacancy thus caused.

His Eminence Cardinal Logue, Messrs. William Kerr, M.D., J.P., and P. Lavery were unanimously re-elected Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Honorary Secretary respectively for the year 1909, and Very Rev. Canon Coyne, Messrs. William Kerr, and P. Lavery members of the Estates Committee.

Very Rev. Canon Coyne was elected as our representative on the Board of the Commissioners of Education.

The Hibernian Bank, Armagh, continues to fill the position of Treasurer to the Board.

The School Committee, appointed in accordance with Section 47 of the Scheme, consists of His Eminence Cardinal Logue, Very Rev. M. Carrigy, C.M., President St. Patrick's College, Armagh; Rev. J. Downey, C.M.; Rev. C. Murphy, C.M., and Rev. Father Boyle, C.M., Professors at St. Patrick's College, Armagh.

An examination for Free Places was advertised to be held on the 4th August, 1909, in conformity with Section 59 of the Scheme. Two candidates presented themselves for examination. One was successful.

Very Rev. M. Carrigy, C.M.; Rev. James Downey, C.M.; Rev. C. Murphy, C.M.; Rev. Father Boyle, C.M.; Thomas Savage, Esq., B.A.; T. W. Holden, Esq., and John McGuigan, Esq., constitute the teaching staff.

The subjects of instruction given in the School are Latin, Greek, English, French, Irish, Algebra, Arithmetic, Euclid, History, Geography, Physical Geography, Natural Philosophy, Book-keeping, Elocution, Drawing and Music.

The subjects for instruction for each class are determined by the Programme of the Intermediate Board for each year.

In the year ending 1st August, 1909, there were 42 pupils in the School of whom 18 boys had matriculated, 10 were Middle Grade, 11 were Junior Grade, 2 were Preparatory Grade, 1 under age for Intermediate, 4 over age, and 1 boy who entered School too late for entrance for Intermediate.

The following is a list of 20 boys who (with others) have received instruction in the prescribed subjects and have made over 100 attendances during the past twelve months:—

Middle Grade:—Callan, James Leo; McCann, John Henry; McDonald, Joseph; McGirr, Peter; McGuckin, Robert; O'Hare, Thomas Edmund; McMeel, George; Sweeney, Patrick John; Tobin, Patrick Francis.

Junior Grade:—Boylan, James; Doherty, James Andrew; Doyle, James Bernardine; Gregory, Francis; Keenan, Peter Patrick; McCooey, James Gerard; McDonagh, Patrick; Matthews, John Augustine; Tiernan, Abraham.

Preparatory:—Crilly, Patrick Owen, and Lavery, Patrick Hugh Fitzpatrick.

The following passed the Intermediate Examination; their official examination numbers are prefixed to their names:—

Middle	Grade (7,294)	Callan, James Leo.
"	" (7,224)	McCann, John H.
"	" (7,269)	McDonald, Joseph.
"	" (7,274)	McGirr, Peter.
"	" (8,268)	O'Hare, Thomas E.
Junior	" (8,152)	Boylan, James E.
"	" (8,844)	Doyle, James B.
"	" (4,979)	McDonagh, Patk.
"	" (6,845)	Tierman, Abraham.
Preparatory	" (502)	Crilly, Patk. O.
"	" (1,896)	Lavery, Patk. H. F.

All the accounts of the Board up to 31st Decr., 1908, have been submitted to the Local Government Board and duly audited by Richard Grubb, Esq., Local Government Board Auditor.
A correct copy of the last audited account accompanies this report.

Dated this 8th day of September, 1909, and sealed with the Common Seal of the Board.

JAMES GRIMES, P.P., Chairman.

PATRICK LAVERTY, Hon. Secretary.

THE ACCOUNT OF ARMYGH ROMAN CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION for the Year ended 31st December, 1908

Dr

Cr.

CHARGE.	£ s. d.	DISCHARGE.	£ s. d.
To Balance as per last Account . . .	313 12 11	By Accounts of Payments under the following headings:—	
„ Miscellaneous Receipts, viz.:—		Salaries—Cheques to Hon. & s. d.	
1908.		Sec. to pay Mr. Savage's salary as Professor of English, &c.	150 0 0
Jan'y. 24.	£ s. d.	Salaries of Resident Staff for year ending 31st December, 1908	150 0 0
To Amount received from Commissioners of Education . . .	33 10 0	Educational Expenses	10 0 0
June 30.		Other Payments, viz.:—	340 0 0
To Amount of Interest which accrued on Balance in Hibernian Bank, Arrears, and added to current account for half-year	1 12 8	1908.	
July 9.		By Cheque to Henry Worsley, Esq., for conducting Free Place Examination	3 2 0
To Amount received from the Commissioners of Education . . .	230 0 0	„ By Cheques to P. J. McGarvey for Irish News, Ltd., for publication of Advertisement re Free Place Examination	1 7 0
Dec. 31.		Nov. 11.	
To Amount of Interest which accrued on Balance in Hibernian Bank, and added to current account for half-year	2 4 7	By Cheques to Local Government Board for Fee for auditing accounts of the Board for the year ending 31st December, 1907	2 1 0
To Amount now in Accounting Officer's hands	41 3 4	By Amount in Accounting Officer's hands at last balance, since disbursed by him	4 10 0
	328 11 7	TOTAL PAYMENT	366 10 8
		Balance, per Bank Book	2124 10 9
		Balance in Accounting Officer's hands *41 2 4	105 14 1
		Balance in favour of this Account on the 31st December, 1907	165 14 1
Total	328 4 6	Total	328 4 6

* This sum is made up of a cheque for £27 10s. 0d. drawn in advance to pay a Professor monthly, and £3 12s. 4d. in hands for Petty Cash.

We certify that the above is a true Account.

[Seal]

JAMES CANON GRIMES, P.P., Governor.

PATRICK LAVERTY, Accounting Officer.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1909.

I certify that the foregoing Account is correct.

19th day of August, 1909.

RICHARD GRUBB, Auditor.

III.—Cavan Protestant Board of Education.

The Cavan Protestant Local Board of Education beg to submit the following Report for the year ending August 1st, 1909:—

The Hon. officers and members of the Board are:—Chairman, The Lord Bishop of Kilmore; Vice-Chairman, the Rev. Wm. McDowell; Hon. Sec., the Rev. E. D. Crowe, the Right Honble. Lord Farnham, T. C. Burrows, Esq., D.L.; Rev. W. P. Lowe, Rev. J. Coulter, Rev. J. Edgar, Robert Walker, Esq.

During the year the Rev. G. W. Bea resigned on leaving the county. The Board has also to regret the loss of a good friend and valuable member in the removal, from Cavan, of Richard Allen, Esq. His financial ability and personal influence have been of the greatest value to the Board, and Mr. Allen's devotion during many years to the interests of the School is gratefully acknowledged by the Governors.

The School has been efficiently conducted during the year, and the Board is satisfied that the pupils are excellently cared for in every way. At the United Examination for the Promotion of Christian Knowledge 12 candidates obtained Prizes and 21 passed.

An Examination for Free Scholarships was held. Two candidates were presented, of whom one was elected.

At the Examination for Boarding Scholarships four candidates competed and two were elected. Meetings of the Board were held on October 20th, 1908; December 4th, 1908; January 28th, 1909; May 26th, 1909; July 7th, 1909.

The attendances were:—The Lord Bishop, 2; Rev. William McDowell, 5; Rev. W. P. Lowe, 0; T. C. Burrows, Esq., D.L., 1; R. Allen, Esq., 8; R. Walker, Esq., 1; Rev. J. Coulter, 2; Rev. E. D. Crowe, 5; Rev. J. Edgar, 0. The latter gentleman was only appointed late in the year.

WILLIAM McDOWELL, Vice-Chairman.
E. D. CROWE, Clerk, Hon. Sec.

February 11th, 1910.

The Account of the CAVAN PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION for the year ended 31st December, 1908.

Dr.		Cr.	
CHARGE.	£ s. d.	DISBURSE.	£ s. d.
To Amounts received during the period in respect of Donations, Bequests, or other Endowments from the Commissioners of Education	67 10 0	By Amounts of Payments under the following headings:—	
„ Scholarships	63 10 0	Maintenance of Premises, &c.	8 10 9
„ Rents	33 2 2	Rents and Taxes, &c.	27 8 8
„ Technical Board's Fees—Agricultural and Technical Department	46 31 2	Scholarships	100 0 0
		Educational Expenses	0 6 6
Balance against this Account, December 31st, 1908	105 0 3		136 14 31
Total	335 14 7	Other Payments, viz.:—	
		Debit Balance, Dec. 31, 1908	96 15 3
		Technical Fees—J. H. Haxton, Esq.	46 31 2
		Half-year's Interest on Mortgage—Playing Fields	9 14 4
		Do do	2 14 4
		Fire Insurance Premium	2 2 0
		Interest on Bank Overdraft	4 1 11
		Total	168 19 8
			305 14 7

We certify that the above is a true Account.

[Seal]

Dated this 6th day of February, 1910.

A. G. KILMORE, Governor.

E. D. CROWE, Clerk, Accounting Officer.

I certify that the foregoing Account is correct.

8th day of February, 1910.

W. F. GILL, Auditor.

IV.—Cavan Roman Catholic Board of Education.

ANNUAL REPORT of the CAVAN ROMAN CATHOLIC LOCAL BOARD for the year ended 31st December, 1909.

The Board report with deep regret the recent death of one of their most valued members, the Very Rev. Patrick Lynch, P.S., V.P., Crosserlough.

With this exception the members of the Board are the same as in last report.

An Examination for Free Places was held in June. The result and the Examiner's opinion have been already furnished.

The average number of students in the College during the year was 100—66 boarders and 34 day students. Thirty-four students passed at the Intermediate Examinations. The successes comprised three exhibitions and six prizes.

The Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, Archbishop of Dublin, was re-elected Commissioner at a meeting held on 20th December, 1909.

Attendances of Members of CAVAN ROMAN CATHOLIC LOCAL BOARD for year ended 31st December, 1909.

	April 8.	July 10.	Sept. 29.	Dec. 20.
Most Rev. Dr. Boylan,	1	1	1	1
Very Rev. Patrick Lynch,	1	1	1	1
Very Rev. Thomas Clarke,	1	1	1	1
Rev. Patrick Clarke,	1	1	1	1
Rev. Hugh Brady,	1	1	1	1
Frederick P. Smith, Esq.,	1	1	1	1
Louis C. P. Smith, Esq.,	1	1	1	1
James Maguire, Esq., M.D.,	1	1	1	1
John Clarke, Esq., M.D.,	1	1	1	1

14th January, 1910.

✠ ANDREW BOYLAN.

HUGH BRADY, P.P.

THE ACCOUNT OF CAVAN ROMAN CATHOLIC LOCAL BOARD for the year ended 31st December, 1909.

Dr.		Cr.	
CHARGE.	£ s. d.	DISCHARGE.	£ s. d.
To Balance as per last Account,	25 13 5	By Amounts of Payments under the following headings:—	
„ Miscellaneous Receipts, viz. :—		Salaries,	100 0 0
Cash from Commissioners,	196 2 4	Educational Expenses	20 0 0
Interest on Account in Bank,	2 1 2		
	256 8 7	Other Payments, viz.,	180 0 0
		Cost of Audit,	1 1 0
		Fees to Examiner for Free Places,	2 0 0
			3 1 0
		Total Payment,	183 1 0
		Balance, per Bank Book,	
		Do., in Accounting Officer's hands,	41 2 0
		Balance in favour of this Account on the 31st December, 1909,	41 2 0
Total,	254 8 0	Total,	254 8 0

We certify that the above is a true Account.

✠ ANDREW BOYLAN, Governor.

HUGH BRADY, Accounting Officer.

Dated this 14th day of January, 1910.

I certify that the foregoing Account is correct.

9th day of February, 1910.

RICHARD GRUBB, Auditor.

V.—Donegal Protestant Board of Education.

The Donegal Protestant Board of Education beg to submit the following Report for the year ended 31st July, 1909:—

Constitution of the Board.—Elected Members:—Rev. A. G. Lecky, B.A. (Chairman); Captain Stoney, B.E. (Vice-Chairman); the Very Rev. Dean Kennedy, Rev. Canon MacQuaide, M.A.; Rev. James Craig-Wallace, B.A.; Rev. Samuel Meek, B.A.; Rev. William Scott, B.A.; Messrs. David Wilson and Thomas Hamilton, J.P. Co-opted members:—Rev. W. F. Garstin, Rev. William Logan, M.A.; Messrs. Robert McKinlay, Thomas Holmes, J.P., and D. C. Pearson.

Rev. Wm. Logan, M.A., was co-opted in the room of Rev. Thomas McCandless, B.A., resigned.

Meetings.—The Board held four stated and two special meetings during the year. A statement of the attendance of members is sent herewith.

Raphoe Royal School.—The number of pupils of all ages in attendance at the School during the past year was 35 boys and 18 girls, of whom 16 were boarders—14 boys and 2 girls. Twenty-five pupils presented themselves at the recent Intermediate Examinations.

James Wilson, Esq., the Toper, Raphoe, has carried out his intention of providing for Scholarship to be competed for by the pupils of the School, as stated in last year's report, by handing to the Board the sum of £250 to be invested by them for this purpose.

The proceeds are to be known as the Wilson (Toper) Scholarship; £5 to be awarded to boys and the remainder to girls in accordance with rules to be adopted by the Board.

Income.—A copy of the audited Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1908, is sent herewith.

Free Places.—The Examination for Free Places at Royal School, Raphoe, was duly advertised. There was only one applicant who was not admitted by the Board, as he was already a pupil in attendance at the School.

Adopted at a meeting of the Board held 6th August, 1909.

(Signed), ALEX. G. LECKY, B.A., Chairman.

THE DONEGAL PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION.—Attendance of Members for the year ended 31st July, 1909.

Names.	Aug. 7.	Nov. 6.	Nov. 30.	Jan. 11.	Feb. 5.	May 7.	Total.
Rev. A. G. Lecky, B.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Captain Stoney, B.E.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
The Very Rev. Dean Kennedy,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Rev. Canon MacQuaide, B.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Rev. James Craig-Wallace, B.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Rev. Samuel Meek, B.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Rev. William Scott, B.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Mr. David Wilson, B.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Mr. Thomas Hamilton, J.P.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Rev. W. F. Garstin,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Rev. Wm. Logan, M.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Mr. Robert McKinlay,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Mr. Thomas Holmes, J.P.,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6
Mr. D. C. Pearson,	1	1	1	1	1	1	6

THE ACCOUNT OF THE DONEGAL PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION for the year ended 31st December, 1908.

Dr.		Cr.	
CHARGE.	£ s. d.	DISCHARGE.	£ s. d.
To Amounts received during the period in respect of Endowments,	299 11 6	By Balance due Bank 31st Decem-ber, 1907,	5 4 3
" Subscriptions,	6 15 0	" " Secretary,	0 13 0
" Dividends,	1 14 8	" Amounts of Payments under the following headings:—	
" Rents,	29 10 0	Maintenance of Premises, &c.,	4 12 1
		Rents and Taxes,	17 2 3
		Salaries,	138 7 10
		Prizes,	8 9 8
Balance due Bank, 31st December, 1908,	2 9 11	Other Payments, viz:—	
" " Secretary,	0 12 0	Insurance,	3 2 9
		Secretary's Expenses,	0 2 9
		Interest paid Bank,	2 13 2
		Advertising,	1 1 2
		Audit Fee,	1 1 0
Total,	332 13 1	Total,	332 13 1

N.B.—Besides the above Balance there are sums standing to the credit of this Account in the following security:—Bank of Ireland 5% Stock, £13 6s. 9d.

We certify that the above is a true Account.

[Seal]

Dated this 5th day of February, 1909.

ALEX. G. LECKY, Chairman.
THOS. HAMILTON, Accounting Officer.

I certify that the foregoing Account is correct.
6th day of April, 1909.

RICHARD GRUBB Auditor.

VI.—Donegal Roman Catholic Board of Education.

ANNUAL REPORT for year ended 31st July, 1909.

MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN,

We have the honour of submitting to you the Annual Report of proceedings of the Donegal Roman Catholic Board for the year ended 31st July, 1909.

The members of the Board as at present constituted are:—Most Rev. Patrick O'Donnell, D.D., Chairman; Edward McFadden, Esq., Vice-Chairman; Right Rev. Monsignor McGlynn, Dean, Secretary; Right Rev. Monsignor Walker, Treasurer; Very Rev. John Canon Doherty, Rev. J. C. Cannon, James Boyle, Esq., James Dunlavy, Esq., and T. Mulhern, Esq., J.P. The members of the School Committee are:—The Most Rev. Patrick O'Donnell, D.D., and Edward McFadden, Esq. The members of the Estates Committee are:—The Right Rev. Monsignor Walker, Rev. John O'Doherty and E. McFadden, Esq.

The Very Rev. Dean McGlinley, D.D., is the Commissioner who represents us on the Board of Commissioners of Education in Ireland.

Five meetings were held during the year; a list of the attendances of members thereof is herewith enclosed. The President of St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny, was instructed to have advertisements published, at the proper date, in the Press regarding the Free Places and the Examinations that are to be held for them.

A Statement of the Accounts for the Donegal Roman Catholic Board for the year ended December 31st, 1908, is herewith enclosed. Read at a meeting of the Committee, approved, signed and sealed.

Letterkenny, 23rd September, 1909.

✠ PATRICK O'DONNELL, *Chairman*.CHARLES M'GLYNN, V.D., *Hon. Secretary*.

Attendances of Members of the Donegal Roman Catholic Board of Education at the Meetings of the Board held during the year ended 31st July, 1909.

	28 Sept., 1908.	28 Nov., 1908.	13 April, 1909.	1 June, 1909.	9 July, 1909.	Total for each member.
The Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, . . .	1	—	1	1	1	4
Right Rev. Monsignor McGlynn, . . .	1	1	1	1	1	5
Right Rev. Monsignor Walker, . . .	1	—	1	—	1	3
Very Rev. Canon Doherty, . . .	1	—	1	—	1	3
Rev. J. C. Cannon, . . .	1	1	1	1	1	5
E. McFadden, Esq., Solicitor, . . .	1	1	—	—	1	3
James Boyle, Esq., Solicitor, . . .	—	—	—	1	—	1
T. Mulhern, Esq., J.P., . . .	—	—	—	—	1	1
James Dunlavy, Esq., Solicitor, . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total attendance at each meeting, . . .	5	2	5	4	7	

(Signed),

CHARLES M'GLYNN, V.D., V.C., *Hon. Secretary*.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION IN IRELAND.

THE ACCOUNT OF DIOCESAN ROMAN CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION for the year ended 31st December, 1903.

Dr.

Cr.

CHARGE.	£ s. d.	DISCHARGE.	£ s. d.
To Balance as per last Account,		By Balance against at close of year,	1 1 0
Received from the Commissioners of Education in Ireland, 25th January, 1904,	55 10 0	Amounts of Payments under the following headings:—	
Received from the Commissioners of Education in Ireland, 10th July, 1904.	40 0 0	Salaries,	
		Educational Expenses,	
		Maintenance of resident staff	99 4 0
	104 10 0	Other Payments, viz:—	
		Audit of Accounts for years ended December, 1902, and 1903,	2 4 1
		Cheque Book,	1 15 11
Total,	104 10 0	Balance, per Bank Book,	
		Total,	104 10 0

We certify that the above is a true Account.

PATRICK O'DONNELL, *Governor*.CHARLES M'GILLYN, P.P., T.C., *Accounting Officer*.

Dated this 23rd day of September, 1904.

I certify that the foregoing Account is correct.

RICHARD GRUBB, *Auditor*.

10th day of November, 1903.

VII.—Fermanagh Protestant Board of Education.

Report for year ended 1st August, 1904.

Owing to the lamented death of Mr. S. B. Humphreys, the Methodist Conference appointed Mr. Edward Mitchell its Representative on the Board. Four Board meetings were held, and the following were the attendances:—

	Meetings		Meetings
Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Clogher attended (also by Deputy)	4	Rev. D. J. Boyle	2
Very Rev. the Dean of Clogher	4	Dr. Toran	2
William E. Cooney, J.P.	4	Andrew Stuart	3
William Teale, J.P.	2	S. B. Humphreys, J.P.	1
C. F. Falls, M.D.	1	Edward Mitchell	0

Portora Royal School.—Thirty-three pupils presented themselves for Examination at the Intermediate Examinations, 1904, and of these 15 passed in the required subjects.

The Governors, in conjunction with the Head Master, resolved to provide, and offer for Competition, the following valuable Entrance Scholarships—£80 a year for three years; £25 a year for 2 years, and £20 a year for two years.

It was arranged to develop the Teaching of Modern or Commercial Subjects, and Mr. S. Rea Meeks, B.A., B.L., a highly qualified and experienced teacher, has been engaged to take charge of this Department. A Class for Manual Instruction has also been started during the year, and is much appreciated by those who attend it.

Due attention has been given to the Repairs and Upkeep of the School Premises, and most extensive improvements have been made to the Byres to bring them up to modern requirements.

Ladies' Collegiate School.—This School, though it has failed to qualify in accordance with the terms of the Scheme, continues to do a useful work in the locality.

Signed and sealed at a meeting of the Board held at Enniskillen the 22nd October, 1904.

WM. COONEY, *Chairman*.D. J. BOYLE, *Member*.CHARLES F. FALLS, *Member*.

THE ACCOUNT OF FERMANAGH PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION for the year ended 31st December, 1909.

Dr.		Cr.	
CHARGE.	£ s. d.	DISBURSE.	£ s. d.
To Balance as per last Account, - - -		By Amounts of Payments under the following headings:—	
„ Amounts received during the period in respect of Donations, Bequests, or other Endowments, - - -	613 2 10	„ Balance as per last Account, - - -	35 19 6
„ Subscriptions, - - - - -	180 0 0	Maintenance of Premises, &c., - - -	142 11 5
„ Dividends, - - - - -	50 18 0	Rent and Taxes, &c., - - -	55 5 4
„ Rents, - - - - -	100 0 0	Salaries, - - - - -	1307 9 10
„ Fees, - - - - -	810 3 4	Educational Expenses, - - -	9 11 11
		Prizes, - - - - -	14 17 2
„ Miscellaneous Receipts, viz.:—		Other Payments, viz.:—	1601 15 6
Under Bank—Interest on - - -	£ s. d.	Towards reduction of debt on Portora Royal School Premises, - - -	100 0 0
Account Current - - - - -	1 16 8	Legal Expenses, - - - - -	2 8 6
Insurance Claim and Refund - - -	5 9 0	Petty Cash Expenses, - - -	7 1 11
	5 5 4		109 5 6
		Total Payment, - - - - -	1646 19 11
		Balance, per Bank Books, - - -	149 1 5
		Deduct Unpaid Debts, - - -	89 11 6
			60 9 11
		Balance in favour of this Account on the 31st December, 1909, - - -	29 9 11
Total, - - - - -	1728 9 10	Total, - - - - -	1728 9 10

N.B.—Besides the above Balance there are sums standing to the credit of this Account in the following Securities:—Canadian Pacific Railway Co. 4 per cent. Debenture Stock, £550.

We certify that the above is a true Account.

[Seal]

MAURICE CLOUGH, Governor.

S. C. MITCHELL, Accounting Officer.

22nd day of January, 1909.

I certify that the foregoing Account is correct.

27th day of January, 1909.

RICHARD GUNN, Auditor.

VIII.—Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education.

Report of the Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education for the year ended 1st August, 1909.

The Fermanagh Roman Catholic Board of Education beg to submit the following as their Report for the year ended 1st August, 1909.

Five meetings of the Board were held during the year as follows:—

- 1st Meeting (Ordinary), 23rd October, 1908, held in St. Michael's School, Enniskillen.
- 2nd „ (Special), 3rd November, 1908, held in St. Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan.
- 3rd „ (Ordinary), 2nd February, 1909, held in St. Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan.
- 4th „ (Ordinary), 3rd May, 1909, held in St. Michael's School, Enniskillen.
- 5th „ (Ordinary), 12th July, 1909, held in St. Macarten's Seminary, Monaghan.

Table showing membership and attendances:—

Members of Board.	Number of Attendances.	Members of Board.	Number of Attendances.
Most Rev. Richard Owens, B.D. (Chairman), [deceased].	1	Very Rev. P. Canon Smyth, P.P.	5
Right Rev. T. Monsignor Smullen, V.O., P.P. (Vice-Chairman) [deceased].	1	Rev. Philip McElisley, P.P.	5
Right Rev. L. J. Monsignor O'Sullivan, P.P.	4	John F. Wray, Esq., LL.B., Solicitor, -	2
		Patrick Crowley, Esq., J.P., Solicitor, -	2
		Daniel X. Keenan, Esq., Solicitor, -	0
		Denis Carolan Roche, Esq., F.A. (Hon. Sec.)	4

No change has been made in the constitution of the Estates Committee.

We record with deep regret the deaths of our Chairman and Vice-Chairman, Most Rev. Richard Owens, M.P., Lord Bishop of Clogher, and Right Rev. Thomas Messinger Smollen, P.P., V.C., Dean of Clogher, both of whom were most assiduous in their attendance at our meetings and rendered inestimable services to the cause of Education in the district.

St. Macarten's Seminary—The Staff of St. Macarten's Seminary remains unchanged.

Free Place Examination.—Twenty-one candidates presented themselves for the Examination. Four Free Places, value £15, £10, £10, £10, respectively, were awarded. The Examiner reports that in the case of the majority of those presented the answering was very creditable. Six secured over 80 per cent. and nine over 60 per cent.

School Roll—

Number in attendance,	60.
" eligible for Intermediate Examinations,	54.
" presented	53.
" " in Senior Grade 5,	4.
" " Middle Grade 17,	13.
" " Junior Grade 21,	16.
" " Preparatory Grade 10,	4.

Distinctions gained—

Senior Grade—Exhibition Modern Literary Course, T. Bryson.
Prize Mathematical Course, T. Bryson.
Prize Experimental Science Course, T. Bryson.

Middle Grade—Exhibition Mathematical Course, J. J. McArdle.
Exhibition Mathematical Course, M. J. O'Reilly.
Prize Classical Course, M. J. O'Reilly.
Prize Modern Literary Course, T. V. Hardy.
Prize Experimental Science Course, J. J. McArdle.
Prize Experimental Science Course, M. J. O'Reilly.

Junior Grade—Prize Classical Course, J. P. Heslin.
Prize Classical Course, B. W. McKinney.
Prize Modern Literary Course, J. P. Heslin.
Prize Mathematical Course, M. J. Murphy.
Prize Mathematical Course, J. P. Heslin.
Prize Mathematical Course, J. P. Connolly.
Prize Experimental Science Course, M. J. Murphy.
Prize Experimental Science Course, J. P. Heslin.
Prize Experimental Science Course, B. W. McKinney.
Prize Experimental Science Course, F. J. O'Brien.
Prize Experimental Science Course, P. J. Connolly.

Matriculation, R.U.I.—Nine presented—eight passed.

First Arts, R.U.I.—One presented—one passed.

St. Michael's Intermediate School, Enniskillen.

Number of Boys presented for Intermediate Examinations, June, 1900.

Preparatory Grade,	
Junior	8.
Middle	10.
	5.

Of these 8 passed in Preparatory, 8 in Junior, and 8 in Middle. One of Middle Grade boys owes his failure to a fit of illness which necessitated his leaving the Examination Hall.

Two students passed the Matriculation Examination (R.U.I.) in June. One student secured a high place at the Great Northern Railway Clerks' Examination recently held.

One student secured a Teachership in Training at St. Patrick's College, Drumcerra.

A correct copy of the last audited Account will be forwarded immediately after the Accounts are returned from the Auditor with whom they are at present.

Adopted at a meeting of the Board held in St. Michael's Intermediate School, Enniskillen, on the 12th November, 1900.

(Signed).

✠ PATRICK MCKENNA, *Chairman*.

DENNIS CAROLAN RUSS, *Honorary Secretary*.

IX.—Tyrone Protestant Board of Education.

Royal School, Dungannon,
30th August, 1909.

MY LORDS AND GENTLEMEN,

The Tyrone Protestant Board of Education have the honour to submit the following report of their proceedings for the year ending July 31st, 1909:—

A member of the Board since 1896 has passed away in the person of Colonel Ynys. Burges, D.L., and his place has been filled by the appointment of Captain E. B. Lowry, D.L.

No co-option under Section 22 of the Scheme has been made for the current year.

Five meetings have been held since the date of last report.

Nine candidates entered for and were admitted to the annual Free Place Examination. Acting on the report of the Examiner, the Board has awarded 8 places.

Attached are the audited Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1908, a statement of successes gained by pupils of the School, and a table of members' attendance at Board meetings, above referred to.

We have the honour to be,

My Lords and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servants,

JAMES DUNCAN, Chairman.

JOHN W. LEEBODY.

The following is a list of the attendances of members for year ending 31st July, 1909:—

Member's Names.	Sept 10th, 1908.	Dec. 10th, 1908.	Feb 24th, 1909.	May 10th, 1909.	July 10th, 1909.	Total.
Rev. Dr. James,	.	.	.	.	.	.
James Dickson, Esq., J.P.,	1	1	1	1	1	5
Wm. Wilson, Esq., J.P.,	.	1	1	.	.	2
Robert Brown, Esq.,	1	1	1	.	1	4
Rev. E. T. Simpson, M.A.,	1	1	1	1	1	5
John W. Leebody, D.L.,	1	1	1	1	1	5
W. J. Vanshden, Esq.,	.	1	.	.	.	1
Capt. Lowry,	.	1	.	.	.	1
J. F. A. Strain, Esq.,	.	.	.	.	.	.

ROYAL SCHOOL, DUNGANNON.—INTERMEDIATE EXAMINATIONS, JUNE, 1909

Senior Grade:—

Medal for First Place in Latin.

Prize of £4 for Latin Composition.

Prize of £4 for Greek Composition.

Exhibition of £40, Classical Course—F. V. Wylie.

Middle Grade:—

Mathematical Course, Prize of £3—David M'Attee.

Experimental Science Course, Prize of £2—John Smyth.

Modern Literary Course, Prize of £2—Robert M'Connell.

Junior Grade:—

Experimental Science Course, First Class Exhibition of £15.

Prize of £2 for German Composition—James C. Greer.

Classical Course, Second Class Exhibition of £10—Mervyn R. Boulton.

Modern Literary Course, Prize of £3—S. M. Cross.

The following awards were made, but not granted, owing to the students having obtained an honour of higher value in another Group:—

Experimental Science Course, Prize of £3—F. V. Wylie.

Mathematical Course, Prize of £3—S. M. Cross.

Experimental Science Course, Prize of £2—M. R. Boulton.

Exhibition of £10, Mathematical Course—James C. Greer.

CIVIL SERVICE.—FOREIGN OFFICE EXAMINATION FOR STUDENT INTERPRETERS.
W. L. C. Knight—First Place.

UNIVERSITY DISTINCTIONS.

Trinity College, Dublin:—

Classical Stizarship—Francis Verner Wylie.

Royal University of Ireland:—

Modern Literature, First Class Exhibition of £20—J. T. B. Warnock.

Experimental Science, First Class Exhibition of £20—E. M. Harper.

Queen's University of Belfast:—

Pakenham Scholarship—J. T. Russell Warnock.

Science Scholarship, First Place—Ernest Magowan Harper.

The ACCOUNT of TYRONE PROTESTANT BOARD OF EDUCATION for the year ended 31st December, 1909.

Dr.

Cr.

CHARGE.	£ s. d.	DISCHARGE.	£ s. d.
To Amounts received during the period in respect of Donations, Bequests, or other Endowments.	445 10 0	By Amounts of Payments under the following headings:—	
„ Dividends.	16 1 0	Maintenance of Premises, &c.,	112 15 10
„ Attendance Grants from Department.	243 7 4	Rent and Taxes, &c.,	67 11 0
		Salaries,	300 0 0
		Educational Expenses,	300 2 7
		Prizes,	8 0 0
		Other Payments, viz.:—	789 10 6
		Balance against Account at close of last year	88 16 10
		Telephone Rent,	5 15 0
		Audit Fee, 1909,	2 2 0
		Interest on Overdrafts,	2 13 8
		Artistic Fund Grant,	5 0 0
		Audit Fee, 1907,	2 2 6
		Total Payment,	104 9 4
		Balance, per Bank Book,	823 19 9
		Do. in Accounting Officer's hands,	19 18 7
		Balance in favour of this Account on the 31st December, 1909,	10 18 7
Total,	804 18 4	Total,	804 18 4

N.B.—Besides the above balance there are sums standing to the credit of this Account in the following Securities:—2½ per cent. Consols, £600—As per certificate attached.

We certify that the above is a true Account.

[Seal]

JAMES DICKSON, *Governor.*

JOHN W. LEEBOY, *Accounting Officer.*

Dated this 30th day of August, 1909.

I certify that the foregoing Account is correct.

16th day of September, 1909.

RICHARD GIBBS, *Auditor.*

X.—Tyrone Roman Catholic Board of Education.

Report for the year ended 1st August, 1909.

Meetings were held—

1. Thursday, 24th September, 1908.
2. Thursday, 17th December, 1908.

3. Thursday, 25th March, 1909.
4. Thursday, 17th June, 1909.

Chairman.—Right Rev. Monsignor Peter James Byrne, P.P., V.G., Dungannon, Dean of Armagh.

Vice-Chairman.—Very Rev. Thomas Canon Rice, P.P., V.P., Cookstown.

Honorary Secretary.—Henry Tohall, J.P., Moy, Co. Tyrone.

Treasurer.—The Provincial Bank of Ireland, Dungannon.

Commissioner of Education, elected.—Right Rev. Monsignor Dean Byrne, P.P., V.G., Dungannon.

Estates Committee.—Very Rev. Thomas Canon McWilliams, J.P., Clonoe; W. J. Reynolds, Esq., Solicitor; Henry Tohall, J.P., Moy.

School Committee.—Right Rev. Mgr. Dean Byrne; Very Rev. Thomas Canon Rice; Very Rev. Thomas Canon McWilliams; W. J. Reynolds, Esq., Solicitor; Henry Tohall, J.P.

At the Free Places Examinations, under Section 59, held in July, 1908, 16 pupils presented themselves for examination and 7 of them got Free Places.

The standard of answering was, we regret to say, below the average. The material for the coming year is much better, and both proficiency and attendance will be considerably improved. The Examination papers were set, and the answers examined by T. Savage, Esq., B.A., Professor of English and Mathematics, St. Patrick's College, Armagh. Mr. Murphy, the Inspector of the Lord Lieutenant, records the result of the Intermediate Examinations. A list of the meetings during the School year, with the attendances, is appended. Copies of the audited Account for the calendar year, 1908, were sent to the Commissioners early in 1909.

P. J. BYRNE, P.P., V.G., Chairman.

HENRY TOHALL, Hon. Sec.

Dated December 8th, 1909.

Meetings held during the School Year ended 1st August, 1909.

Names of the Members.	Thursday, 24 Sept., 1908.	Thursday, 17 Dec., 1908.	Thursday, 25 March, 1909.	Thursday, 17 June, 1909.	Total Attendance of each Member.
1. The Most Rev. the Lord Bishop of Derry, and his Deputy, the Rev. James O'Kane, P.P., Cappagh, Omagh.	1	-	1	1	3
2. Right Rev. Monsignor Dean Byrne, P.P., V.G., Dungannon.	1	1	1	1	4
3. Right Rev. Monsignor O'Doherty, P.P., V.P., Dungannon.	1	1	1	1	4
4. Very Rev. Thomas Canon Rice, P.P., V.P., Cookstown.	1	1	1	1	4
5. Very Rev. Thomas Canon McWilliams, P.P., Clonoe, Cookstown.	1	1	1	1	4
6. Wm. James Reynolds, Esq., Solicitor, Dungannon.	-	-	-	1	1
7. John Maguire, Esq., J.P., Drumahaire House, Irvinestown, Co. Tyrone.	-	-	-	-	-
8. Daniel Hackett, Esq., J.P., Omagh.	-	-	-	1	1
9. Henry Tohall, J.P., Moy.	1	1	1	1	4
Number of Members at each Meeting.	5	4	5	4	-

Messrs. Reynolds, Maguire and Hackett were co-opted 17th December, 1908.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF EDUCATION IN IRELAND

The Account of THE ROMAN CATHOLIC BOARD OF EDUCATION for the year ended 31st December, 1908.
Dr.

CHARGE.	£ s. d.	DISBURSE.	£ s. d.
To Balance as per last Account.	184 15 8	By Amounts of Payments under the following headings:—	
„ Dividends.	8 15 6	Maintenance of Premises, &c.,	32 16 2
„ Rents.	645 10 0	Rent and Taxes, &c.,	28 1 4
„ Fees.	125 7 6	Salaries,	528 0 0
		Educational Expenses,	41 13 1
		Prizes,	64 12 8
			715 4 2
		Other Payments, viz:—	
		Interest paid for Cash on Loan	10 0 0
		Gas, Light and Coke,	16 3 8
		Sweeping and Cleaning,	12 18 0
		Logwood for fire,	1 15 0
		Auditor,	1 1 0
		Repayment of part of Loan,	200 0 0
		Cheque Book,	0 8 6
			143 6 6
		Total Payment,	858 10 9
		Balance, per Bank Book,	184 17 11
		Balance in favour of this Account on the 31st December, 1908, in the Provincial Bank, Dungannon.	186 17 11
Total,	1045 8 8	Total,	1045 8 8

We certify that the above is a true Account.

[Sgd]

P. J. BYRNE, Governor.

HENRY TORRILL, Accounting Officer.

Dated this 11th day of June, 1909.

I certify that the foregoing Account is correct.

19th day of June, 1909.

WM. FOLEY, Auditor.

DUBLIN CASTLE,

29th April, 1910.

SIR,

I have to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 21st instant, forwarding, for submission to His Excellency the Lord Lieutenant, the Annual Report of the Commissioners of Education in Ireland for the year 1909.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

J. B. DOUGHERTY.

STANISLAUS MURPHY, Esq., LL.B.,

6 GRAFTON STREET,

DUBLIN.